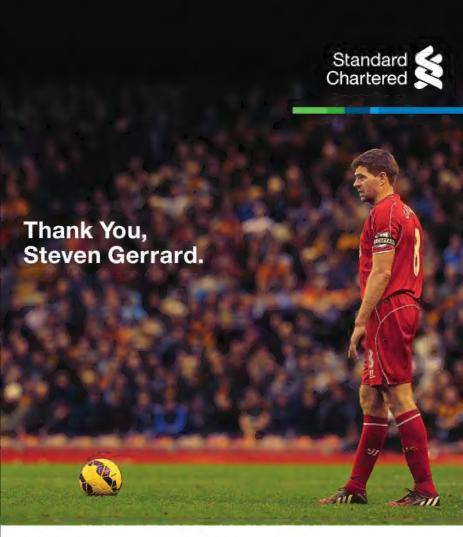
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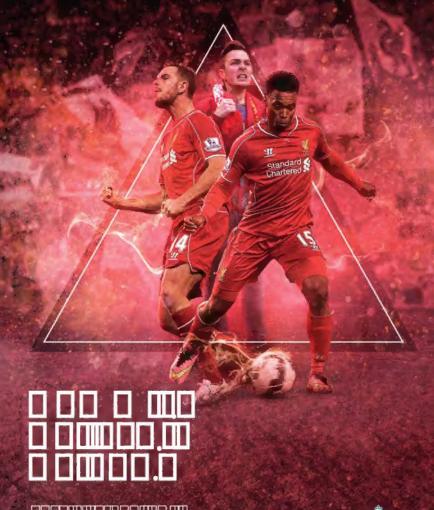
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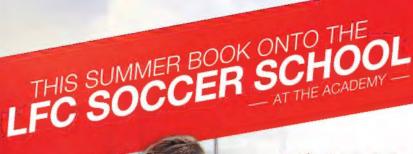


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"FC"s social media showcased exclusive clips while the hashtaig ifficiant cashe was used to unite LFC fans LFG"N and "FC"N GO have also paid homage with an exclusive housing documentary entitled Gerard: "My Liverpoor Meanwhise Gerard: "Born and Rectals to the men credited with guiding him through his formative years and Gerard At the Goale does what if says on the tin "FCTV is available in HD on Sky channel 544 Find out more at liverpoolit.com/ficty















POINTS CLEAR

So long slopper; more of the same please, Jordon; and a Main Stand update



DELIVER A

Work on Artifield's Main Stand redevelopment has continued at pace over the past two months, with tars able to watch an official time-tapse video on the club website plus images which capture the speed of the construction.

Over the fast couple of morths stains and the metal decking that will hold the Main Stand's new floor have fasted than Stand's new floor have fasted than the fasted than the standard than the standard that the fasted that highest peciestrain floor level has been installed it currently stands higher than the existing Main Stand, with an upper fier and not fasted that the standard higher than the existing Main Stand, with an upper fier and not fasted that the standard higher than the sexisting Main Stand.

Once completed (during the forthcoming 2016/17 season) the expanded Main Stand will become one of the largest all-seater stands in Europe's too divisions.



JORDON'S NEW DEAL

Signing his new long-term contract made lordon his feel flower the moon." The 19-year-old winger who joined the Outh 12015 put per not paper on the deal past before the and of the season. having spent the opening half of 2014/15 or loan at Derby County. Since being recalled the no33 has impressed in 13 sentor appearances. He says: "Liverpool are a great clash and. Birst the philosophy here. The rejoying. If they just been brought into the linst tream and hopefully I can keep tolong well."

Brendan Rodgers says: "He is a young lod with a lot of potentia. He stall has a lot of walk to do to become that consistent performer all the top level, but there is no doubting his potential and he has really grown over the course of the last season."



Philippe Coulinke has III up Antiold during his second full seeson. Humbled by personal accoleries, he tells William Hughes It's all about the team...



t is the final Thursday of the to the final Truratary of the Premiur Langue season and domine of young supporting are huisided accurat the extrance to filebroot. An especiatric challer among the throng files the air as they gather seeking signatures and selfles: with their favourite Reds. High on their wish the le Philippe High on their wish the le Philippe Links on their wish the le Philippe Their and their and

High on their wish list is Philippe: Coulinho, the midfleid massers who has established himself as the creative hale of the Liverpool line-up since moving from Inter Milen in encery 2013. Coutnive was undoubledly the

shining light of Liverpool's 2014/15 season. Quick of mind and fleet of foct, it was no harpy as that he swept the board at the viula's end! of season awards avening.

As he releases in the Mehvood press room, the no10 scimbs to having leaen humbled by the recognition heaped upon him at the ceremony less than 48 hours earlier;

"I genuinely nearly especting to win these awards," he says. "Each one is very nice to receive and they all mean a great deal to me but i would single out two categories. The first is my fellow players who voted me their own player of the year. They are like my family who !-

"Coming from the supporters these award**s** mean verything"

ment with every day and so that one-were very important and meent a let to me. The second category is the supporters' awards - coming from the fans it means everything."

As well as accoping the effic apparters' Player of the Year esclade, Coutinhe has also elicand the Liverpool Disabled upporters Association's gong pi te tens' Golden Semina trophy.

"I would like to thank the appearant," he adds. "From the drate i strived here they have mays treated me very well and at gives me confidence to lake onto the field. Playing in front of them at Antibid is an incredible experience but you never take the elementaria for granted. It really does send shives slove my spin every time that I stop on he the Hald

to represent Liverpool."

A sign of the Kep's affection for the 22-year-sid regularly dulated the Little Magician' is a barrier which features his picture with the words



O Magroo underneeth, "It gave me goose bumps when I saw it. To go to the effort to do that is very special and appreciate it creatly " he says.

While admitting it is always nice to receive personal plaudits. Couthho doesn't shy away from the fact that when the dust settles on the 2014-15 campaign, he will reflect on a season of disappointment. For him, it is all

If has been a difficult compasign because we were unable to adveve our objectives Yes, it was a good season for me on a personal level and if thank God that I wasn't injured beet that I used school that I wasn't injured a good number of games. But while I was create to be recognised at the

"I can't be too happy because we were unable to meet our targets"

awards night. I don't really like to fall, about myself as it as the learn that matters and we stand or list as a cotlective. I can't be too happy with the season because, as I say we were unable to meet the targets we had set out to achieve. Whe will go away for the summer think about next year and look to do what we can to traprove."

Pushed to pick out one highlight of the campaign however, he plumps for the 2-1 victory over Manchester City at Anfield at the beginning of March

*One moment? The game against City The learn played very well, we won and it was a very important victory because we were moving up the table at that time. That is definitely the game! would select."

Speaking to this magazine back in August, the gifted technician had set out his hopes for the season. In terms of his own progress, the Brazilian's personal development review would show most boxes ticket.

Back then, he had pointed out that working with Brendan Rodgers and his coaching staff would continue to microse his same.

Sweeping the board

Philippe walked away with four trophes at the club's end-of-sessor awards night, including Goal of the Year for his spectacular allot v Southampton at St Many's land v Southampton at St Many's land visited five five and his outstanding show against. Manchester City at Anhibid. He also picked up the Player's Player of the Year and Player's Player of the Year and Player's the Year Award vised for by the fars.

"I have been here 18 months and so become which the methods of the coach it's gneat because the manager gives the players at or of freedom. I believe it is very important for footballers to feet that they have a freedom of movement to play their own games and to express ourselves.

"Lalways want to strive for improvement on the pitch. I want to give my best on the field and try to get better every time. go out there."



philiage coutinho

Nine months on the believes his progress is continuing on a decidedly upwards trajectory

People have to remember that when came here was taken out of an inter Milan beam where wesn't really playing thank Brendan for that, uverpool have provided me with a platform to play regularly in one of the best wagues in the world. Brandan is always available to talk to and, for me that is very reportant."

Another erae Coutinho had targeted improvement in alread of the season was his goalsconing conhibition. His tally of eight in all competitions was three more than achieved in 2013;14 but he believes there is titll scope for adding to his total.

It is something I am working on in every braning ession. That element of my game has improved but my objective is to by and increase those numbers again and I will be aiming to

That 20 % 16 campaign will the of course, one the Rock will have to navagate without the inspirational Steven Gerrand Counting acknowledge and additional says he free remained to have been part of the same multiple for the past two-and-a-half seasons.

We are losing a legend, a great player and a wonderful captain. We will have to learn how to work without him neal year and am somy that Steven's going, it has been a great honour to play with him."

Gerrard has described Coutinho as uverpool's need big thing and the Brabian says he was flattered by the comments of the outgoing captain

"Of course it means a great deal to me that he has said that. It is entremely humbling and I will work every day to try and do as he has said.

Since coming to England, Coulinho believes he has improved the

Gerrard on Philippe

I want to pay tribute to Philippe. He's cleaned up on all of the awards and deservedly so, it's an absolute privilege to share a dressing-room with him.

Theis the next big thing, for me, hope he stays here for a long time and he can help win us some more trophes.

From all the Liverpool players that are here and he ones that will be here in the future, you just want them to carry on all the cub you can for the badge and givis everything you've got every time you but the shirt on."





"The game in England is more intense - both with and without the ball"

consistency in his game. His high level of performance throughout the course of the season is perhaps best reflected by the fact that he has won five Standard Chartered Player of the Month awards landing the honour in October December January February and April

He says: "You always strive for consistency. The game here in England is more intense both with the ball and without the ball. have been trying to adapt so that I can play that kind of game and have a greater intensity about my work.

Next on the agenda for Coutinho is a summer of international football



with Brazil all the Copa Amenca in Chile Having missed out on selection for last summer's World Cup, he is determined to do all he can to stake a claim for a regular sport in coach Dunga's starting line-up.

It is a great opportunity for me and I am very happy to be called up for the Copa Like every chick, direarn! of being selected for the national team and I hope that I will be able to make a contribution to the team's success in the fournament?

"The other nations are very good as well and the Coppe is always a very difficult competition to play in. but Brazil have very good players too and I am confident that we are going to do well

Coutinho also admits to being interested in representing his country at next summer s Olympic Sames in Allo as an over-age player "If I was ower that doopstunity

I would take it. Absolutely was disappointed not to be involved in the World Cup in Brazil test year so it would be a great opportunity to be

"Once the Copa's over I'll be anxious to start the new season very well"

involved in a major event in Brazil." Should Brazil reach the final of the Copa in the Chileen capital Santiago on 4 July there would be less than a forthight before Liverpool's opening pre-season frendly against Brisbane Roai in Queensland.

Being truthful, the break is going to be short, but as soon as the Cope is over will be thinking about the new season at Liverpool and anxious

It is a hard to say, why, things haven't gone to plan his year but contience plays such a big part in football. At the beginning of the season the learn wasn't really playing well and that affected the players. Then we started incoroning better are a unit and so the individual players levist of performance increased. For me there is always a retation between the player and the team and, of course individual and collective confidence levels. We have to make sure that those levels are improved next season.

My role in the team will be the same. I want to have a good preseason with the squad and hopoluty the beginning of next season will be better than the start we made to this one. First and foremost my aim is to focus on my own game but their my main concern is to play well and do well for the team and the old."

The Copa America 2015

The action in Chile begins on 11 June with 12 countries contesting the bournament at nine venues across eight host cities. Brazil have been drawn in a group with Colombia, Peru and Venezueta. They will be seeking their sixth accounts and action of the countries.

The seam will be captained by Barcelona star Neymar, while former Manchester City floward Robinto as in time to win this 100th cap during the competition. The top two teams in each of the time groups will be planted by the two best third-place finishers in the quarter-finals. The final takes place af the 48,955 capacity Estactio Nacional in Sorrilago on Saturday 4 July



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STEVIE STEVIE WONDERS GERRARD-ALL THE GOALS

1998/99

13 games 0 goals

On the subside bench for a LIEFA Cuptiest at Celta Vigo, Steven is a 90thminute replacement for Vegard. He was a subsider in Liverpool's 20 victory over Bückburn. He starts for the first time all Tottenham Hobspurwhere he was plays at night-back against Devett Grinpla. Under Gerard Houlifer he feathures in 13 garnes

1999/00 31 games 1 goal

Gerrard's first full season is marked by a speciacular goal against Sheffield Wednesday at Amfield. His versality is noticed by Houllier who deploys him in both full-back positions and across the molfield.

1 v Shaff Wed (H) 05.12.99 Pt 69 mire (woo 4-1) RF

Kevin Pressman was in goal for the Owls when Gerrard lound the net for the first time - on a wintry Sunday attempon at Antield. The 19-yearold came into the Reds team of sortiel injured Jamie Redlunapp and scored uverpoofs third on the day. "He picked if up in medfald, slepped past two of our players [Emerator Thome and Das Walker] with minimal effort and slotted if in the bottom corner recalls Pressman, now a coach at Milwall. If I didn't innow about Steven before the game, I certainly did after suppose you could say we were given the brefest of information which floot good energy good movement: can move the ball easily Then, obiniously after that can score goals if was a sign of things to come from him. My claim to fame is istarted him off on his carrier!

"His departure will be a massive loss for Liverpool For me, having spent 20 years at Shetfield West-residity and walching players come and go. the toggest thing I have noticed is. It's not toggest thing I have noticed is. It's not necessarily the player on the plach it's more the loss of that pesson inside the dressing-room and on the training ground on an averyidity basis. He might eventually be reptaced on the patch, but never in the classing-room or behand the scenes.

For the record the JFC team that day was: Wasterveld, Song (Carragher). Matteo, Henchoz, Hyyput, Harriann Murphy (Staunton). Thompson. Genard, Ower (Fowler). Camara.

2000/01

50 games 10 goals Wins: League Cup; FA Cup; UEFA Cup; PFA young player of the year

Everpool's first trophy-winning season with Genard as a lorce or the team. At the and of the campaign Steven is named the FRA's young player of the year having scored 10 goals from midfield, including one in the actionpacked vectory over Alaves in the UEFA Cup final in Dommund.

2 v West Ham (Å) 17.09.00 PL 12 mins (draw 101) RF

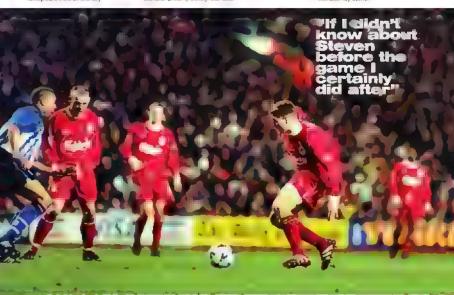
Completes a sweeping Reds move at Joton Park by meeting Danny Murphy's inviting cross from the left.

3 v Coventry (f) 12.11.00 Pt. 50 mins (woo 5-1) H

A near-post header from team-mate Gary McAlister's corner to give the Reds a two-goel advantage

4 v Olympiacos (A)

23.11.00 UEFAC 67 mins (drew 2-2) M His first European goal is a looping header from a perfectly weighted Nick Barmby corner



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5 v Arsonal (10) 11.12.00 PL 11 mins (won 4-0) isf

Controls the ball on the edge of the box atlar Markus Babbel's long throw had been only half-cleared and powers home low and hard at the Kop and

6 v Southampton (ft) 0f.01.01 PL 12 mins hoth 2-1) f6F A bristant dipping shot from 35 yards that beats Saints goalkeeper Paul Jones at ends up*

7 v Aston Villa (A) 13.01.01 PL 32 mins (won 3-0) RF Drives his shot into the root of the net after being teed up by Danny Murphy

8 v Transmore Flowers (A) 11.03.01 FAC 52 mins (won 4-2) H 'Over the water a powerful header from inside a crowded Rovers penalty area following a Gary Mac comer

9 v Mann United (R)

15.04.01 Pt. 16 mins (won 2-0); 85*
The goal of the season for the treble cup-winning campaign, a 57 mph rocket from 30 years against a United limit sour (Test 1760% is season to the day, sooned by Robber Season to the day, sooned by Robber Season the season that season the season that season the season that season that season that season the season that season that season the season that season

This young lad has got so many qualities in his game, "said Alan Parry Sky Sports commentator during the middley lock-off." He can tackle he can pass the ball, he can head it. He can get from one end of the field to the other and he can also score specisious goods.

Steven's goal and performance inspired his team and energised the cowel that Saturday afternoors, in what was a season of jupgemeut-the momentum next up was a trip to migrity Barcelona for the list leg of a UEFA Cup semi-linal, followed by an FA Cup semi-linal, followed by an FA Cup semi-linal at Vita Park, against surprise-package Wycombe Wanderess. Ultimatisty three trophies would be heading to Antiett.

As the Reds completed their first double over United for 22 years, the youngster was aubbed to a standing oxabon with two minutes remaining and showed characteristic humility after the match. "We were reality up for it before the game, and I think we all sensed we were going to win, was fortunate enough to score the first goal and I have to admit it is one of the best five ever scored. As soon as if left my stoot I lanew it was going in I couldn't have third is vector five scored a few like that this season and lopefully there are more to come."





10 v Loods United (f) 13.04.01 PL 54 mins (lost 2-1) RF Cool linish after being picked out by Michael Owen's cross from the left.

11 v Alaves (II) 16.05.01 UEFAC 16 mins (won 5-4) RF

An unerring shall in the Cortmund final after being played through by Owen, making it 2-0 to the Reds

2001/02

45 games 4 goals Wires: FA Community Shields **UEFA Super Cup**

Jverbool linish Jacond in the Premier League behind Arsenai, and Gerrard scores one of his most memorable goals in the Mersey derby with over Everton, crashing home in front of the Gwladys Street Because of mury he misses the World Cup finals in Japan and South Korea.

12 v Auton Villa III 06.09.01 Pt. 46 mins (lost 3-1) H

A header from a McAllister corner is deemed to have crossed the line. before Dion Dublin could clear

13 v Everton (A) 15.09.01 Pt. 11 mins from 3-1) RF

Pounding on a poor dearance just outside the area, he accelerates past Gary Naismith and hammers a cross-shot into the far corner

14 v Dynamo Kylv (A)

16.10.01 Ct. 66 mins (won 2-1) LF Latches onto Vaciona Smicer's header to fire in a shot that clies off a defender and into the far corner of the Kviv net.

15 v Bolton (H) 01.01.02 Pt. 50 mins (draw 1-1) LF Sprints past two Bolton defenders before ficking an exquisite shot past goalkeeper Jussi Jaaskelainen

2002/03

54 games 7 goals Wins: League Cup

Gerrard agod 22 is appointed captain. for the first time "I used to watch John Barrest with the armband and dream that one day it would be me The League Cup is lifted with the Reds besting Manchester United 2-0 in Cardiff thanks to Staven 5:30-yard volley and Michael Owen a late strike.

16 v Birmingham 80 11,09.02 PL 49 mins (drew 1-1) RF In a swift counter-attack he shoots

diagonally across Blues goalkeeper Nico Vaesen who can only deflect it into the top comer of his net.

17 v Aston Villa III 18.12.02 LC 66 mins (non 4-3) RF

Ball runs loose for him to run into space and smash a low drive beyond Villa keeper Peter Enckelman

18 v West Harn (4)

02.02.03 PL 9 mins (wen 3-0) RF Former Red David James punched away an in-swinging corner but Steven returns a with a fierce strike

19 v Man United (II) 02.03.03 LC 39 mins nuon 2-0) RF

Fires the Reds in front in the Cardill final with a 25-yarder that deflects off United's David Beckham and beyond the clutches of Fabien Barthay

20 v Tottenham (A) 16.03.03 PL 82 mins (won 3-2) RF

A breakaway goal as Danny Murphy's pass allows Steven to outpage Ben Thatcher and drill home a low drive.

21 v Londs United (ii) 23.03.03 PL 73 mira (won 3-1) RF

Michael Owen beats two and tees up Staven who side-foots past Pauli Robinson to write up the victory

22 v Charlton (H) 21.04.03 PL 90 mins (won 2-1) RF

A last-minute winner as he bursts into the area and skips through tackles before tashing low past Dean Kiely

2003/04

47 games 5 goals

A difficult season for Steven as team-mate Carracher is ruled out for so, months after breaking his leg. Liverpool finish fourth and Gerard Houtler leaves as manager

23 v Blimminghamm (H) 30.11.03 Pl. 35 mim (won 3-1) P His first goal from the density spot dispatched after a foul on French striker Florent Sinama-Pomootle.

24 v Bofton (A) 97.02.04 Pt. Brev 2-2, 93 mins, RF His cushomed valley from Anthony Le Talec's cross earns the Reds a point at the Reabok Stadium.

25 v Marn City (H) 11.02.04 Pt. 51 mins Jann 2-1) RF With keeper David Jannes unable to hold onto a loose ball, he takes advantage to convert the rebound.

26 v Levald Sofia (4) 25.02.04 BEAC 66 mins (non 2-0) LF Volleys past Levsis keeper Ivaniov to put the Rads ahead in the first leg of this European tie

27 v Leveld Softe (A) 03.03.04 UEFAC 6 mins (wor 4-2) UF Rounds the goalkeeper to finish from a light angle securing an important

26 v Blavningham (A) 08.05.04 PL 64 mins (won 3-0) RF Caps off a great Reds away war with a smart faish from the left-hand side.

away qual for Liverpool.

2004/05

43 games 13 goals

Whits: UEFA Champions. Lague; LPC top score With Hata Benitez in charge Liverpool with the Champions Lague; excursing from three down v AC. Main to draw 3-3 before prevailing on penalities. Genard scores Liverpool's first goal. Earlier in this season he'd curcially scored against Olyminators.

in the group stages. "He's one of the

29 v Grazzer AK (A) 10.08.04 CL (ven 2-0, 23 mins RF Lashes into the top comer to give Liverpool the lead in Austria.

best players in Europe right now."

claims Zinedine Zidane

30 v Grazer AK (A) 10.00.04 CL (www 2-0) 79 mins RF Starts and finishes move that spans the length of the pitch with a sidefooted effort to seel victory

31 v Man City (ft) 21.08.04 PL (von 2-1) 75 mins RF Lung-busting run from deep enables, him to finish off a shot from Baros after City keeper James pamies.

32 v West Brom (ii) 11.05.04 PL (wan 3-0) 16 mins LF Playing a one-two with Garcia, he

33 v Olympiacos (ii) 08.12.04 Ct. (won 3-1) 86 mins RF

His favourite a scorching half-volley that brings the house down at Anfield and seals a place in the tast 16 of the Champions League

Liverpool, Olympiacos and Monaco had all entered the final Group A matchday with a chance of progressing to the knockout stages. Only Deportivo La Coruna, on just two points, were already eliminated Monaco travelled to Spari knowing a win would definitely put them through At Artifeld only a victory was good enough for Liverpool - enything less would have resulted in a post-Christmas place in the UEFA Cup. And the cicture was complicated by the fact that if the Greek side scored the Reds would need to win by two goals to leapfrod above them in the table and go through

Neil Mellor who along with Florent. Sinama-Pingolle had scored to make it 2-1 and set up Steven's grandstand in sin, recalls. "When I loned mine over the line it meant we needed just one more goal to seal progression."

one mine gual to seal progression but it still fell unlikely. I think Jamile Carragher hosted a pass torward and Locuid see Stevie rushing forward from deep. I triget my best to fouch it onto his path and seconds rater the ball was nesting in the back of the nat.

"I wanted to join in the celebrations but Stave a momentum from the shot took him charging towards the Kop



Eventually I managed to catch up with ham The amosphere was the best I've been shoother was the best I've been shoother procedured in The roar was deelening. I couldn't hear what few yards away remember those seconds clearly always will do We were through."

Sheven says: "That goal was one of those strikes you instantly honey you've caught sweetly. When it leaves your book you've just praying it goes on target because it is goil a great chance of linding the net. I think you could see what it meant to mit in my celebrations. The way we turned that match around was an increasible team effort.

34 v Portemouth (ii) 14.12.04 Pt (drew 1-t) 70 mins RF Smashes home to put the Reds one up against Pompey after a fee-up from a free-kick taken by Hamann.

35 v West Brom (A) 26.12.04 Pt. (won 5-0) 55 mins RF Thurreps a thunderous shot through the Gaggies wall after another smartthining Hamann set-piece

36 v Wattord(f) 11.07.05 LC (von 1-0, 95 min RF in the semi-final he seizes upon a loose ball to score with a little help from a deflection on the line

37 v Watford |A\}
25.01.05 LC (wos 1-0) 77 mins RF
In the second leg against the Homets,
nunning from the centre-circle he
finishes into the bottom corner

36 v (Evention (H) 20.03.05 Pt. (ven 2-1) 27 wins RF Puts the Fleds two up in the Artifield derby with a side-flooted finish after a clever line-violation Dick again:

30 v Mildelesbrough (H) 30,04.05 Pt. (drew 1-1) 52 mirs RF Trademark 30 yarder leaves future team-mate and 30 to keeper Brad Jones butching that rare O2

40 v Arsenal IAI
06.05.05. Pt. flost 3-1) 51 pins RF
A powerful first after a lay-off from
Hamann gives Liverpool what is only
a consolation goal

41 v AC Millam (II) 25.05.05 CL (drew 3-3; non 3-2 on pure) 54 mins H

Power and direction required to convert his looping header over Dida to begin the corneback in Istanbul

"Lifting the trophy as captain is the bast lealing ever it's the greatest game have played in. We were underdogs at the start of life competition and I'll put my hands up and say I didn't think we were going to go all the way But we are never beaten.





'Millan had played the ball so quickly fluently and deventy during the first half that it look a lot out of us chasing their shadows because we could not get near them. We were lucky to be only 3-0 down at half-time. Millan's lootball was world-bass.

"When is cored, it started to change. That goal gave us a bit of belief. What inspened need was amazing, how do you find words to describe it? In extra-time I spoke to a few of the lads on the pich and we were all mod. Was running on empty even with 10 or 12 minutes of normal time still to go and eather II was intention of penalties.

When Sergmho missed their first one in this shoot-out I thought to myself again, we are meant to win this, was down to take the lith penalty for us so I was especially delighted when Jerzy saved thorn Sherchenko. The manager had asked no whether warrad to before one and I said yes. When he told me he had put me on the last one, I thought cheers how can arrythmy follow a game like that?"

2.1.05/0.6 53 games 23 goals Wins: UEFA Super Cup; FA Cup; PFA player of the year;

EFC top access in the FA Cup Inal against West Harr. the skipper scores with a 90th-minute shot from 30 yerds to rescue Liverpool before another penalty shoot-out victory in which he also converts his lidid. Serven had earlier registered Liverpool's first equaliser against the Hammers It's Gerrard's best scoring season to date the nets 23 times.

42 v TNS (R) 13.7.05 CL 8 mins (won 3-0) RF Set up by Monentes, he converts

with a decisive finish from 10 yards.

13.7.05 CL 21 mins (www 3-0) RF Capitalising on uncertainty in the TNS defence he takes advantage with a precise lob over the goalkeeper

44 v TNS (II) 13.7.05 CL 90 miss (was 3-0) UF Driving lorward from the centre-circle: he tucks the ball away into the bottom comer with his left to recister his third

45 v TNS (A) 19,7.05 CL 85 mins (won 3-0) RF

Comes off the bench to finish with power late into the return leg.

46 v TNS (Å) 19.7.05 CL 86 mins (www 3-0) RF A carefully-placed shot gives him his

A carefully-placed shot gives him his second in as many minutes against the Welsh team after a run from deep.

47 v FBK Kaunes (A) 26.07.05 Ct. 54 mint (won 3-1) P Wars a penalty then converts into the

wors a penary men convers into intop corner of the Lithuanians, goal after being fouled in the box.

48 v FBK Kauruss (II) 02.06.05 CL 77 mins (won 2-0) NF His powerful cross-shot found the net to make him the first uverpool player to score five European goals in as

49 v Chebes (ii)

02.10.05 Pt. 38 mins (lost 4-1) RF Nets the only Liverpool goal of the game with a powerful linish from a Rise comer in the first half

50 v Crystal Palace (A) 25.10.05 JC 40 mins (lott 2-1) NF

Finishes low alter driving into the Palace penalty area, to mark his 50th goal for the club.

51 v Aston Villa (A)

05.11.05 Pt. 84 mins (wen 2-0) P After Peter Crouch is brought down Steven steps up to convert his fack into the bottom-right corner.

52 v Sunderland (A) 30.11.05 PL 45 mins (von 2-0) RF

With Xabi Alonso playing provider. Gerrard rounds the goalkeoper and pokes the ball into an empty net.

53 v Deportivo Saprissa (II) WCC 32 mins (war 3-0) RF

A lantastic volley finds its way in at the near post after Rise lofts in a cross

54 v Newcastie (H) 26,12,05 PL 14 Win 2-0 RF

Dummies a Magnes defender before rilling his shot into the top comer of the net after good work by forward Crouch to set him up



55 v Everton (A) 28.12.05 Pt. 18 mins from 3-1) RF Delights the travelling Reds with a powerful shot in this Merseyside derby

56 v Bolton (A) 02.01.06 PL 67 mins (threw 2-2) P Supplied by Harry Kewell, he was and converts a spot-fuck into the bottomright comer to draw the Reds level

57 v Luton Town (II) 07.01.06 FAC 15 mins (won 5-3) RF Puts the Reds ahead with a swerving shot into the corner in this FA Cup lie.

58 v Portsmouth III 29.01.06 FAC 36 mins (won 2-1) P Strikes the first goal from the soot to send the Fleds on their way to the fifth round of the FA Cup



59 v Blenningham (ii) 01.02.06 PL 62 mins (draw 1-1) RF A deflected finish after good work from Fernando Mononles to spot his iste run into the box.

60 v Newcastie III 19.03.06 PL 35 mins (won 3-1) RF Fireshes in style after an assist from Crouch 10 minutes before the break

61 v Aston Villa (H) 29.04.06 Pt. 60 mins twos 3-1) LF Finishes with his left loot at the near post to consolidate the lead given to the Reds by Morientes

62 v Aston Villa (H) 29,04,06 PL 66 mins (woo 3-1) BF A thumping second effort from 30 yards sends Liverpool on their way to victory over the West Midlanders.

63 v West Ham (II) 13.05.06 FAC 54 mins (down 3-3; wor. 3-1 on pens) RF Close-range rocket past Shaka History in the Cardill final to draw the Reds level at 2-2 in the May heat.

64 v West Ham (II) 13.05.06 FAC 90 mins (draw 3-3; won 3-1 on pens) RF Twelve months after the mracle of Istanbul the Reds do it again, retrieving a seemingly lost cause in a major cup

final this time in Cardill, with the skipper right at the heart of it. It's a came that has since passed into folkione as the Gerrard final On a balling hot day in the Welsh capital it is

the underdogs West Ham United who drew first blood, courtesy of a Jamie Carragher own-goal then an effort from Dean Ashton

Liverpoof striker Djibnil Clase reduces the deficit before half-time with a fine sliding finish from a long pass, and when Staven restores parity nine minutes after the restart with a crashing half-volley inside the penalty area the red half of the Millennium Stadium breathes a huge sigh of relief, it's only a temporary reprieve, however as Hammers Juli-back Paul Konchesky soon makes if 3-2 with a speculative cross-shot over Reina.

Ninety minutes come, and as the claret-and-blue ribbons are being tied to the famous old trophy the Reds captain intervenes again. Shrugging off crama in strenath-sapoina clearance flush on the half-volley from 35 yards out to force extra-time. He then finds the net for a third time inthe penalty shoot-out and Pepe Rema saves three out of four soot kicks to clinch the club's seventh FA Cub. The tast-gasp equatiser earns

Steven the BBC ocal of the season award for 2006 he becomes the fifth Red to win the honour following: Terry McDermott, Ray Kennedy, John Aldridge (twice) and Dietmar Hamann. After the match, tearn-mate and follow scorer that day: Dilbrit Cisse: says: "Of all the players I have had the privilege to play alongside. he and Zidane are the best and right now Stevie is the one would want

by my side.

2006/07

51 games 15 goals Wins: FA Community Shield; England player of the year; MRE

For the second time in three seasons. Liverpool reach the Champions. Loague final, Genterd plays in 52 out of 58 matches and scores in six successive home pames. He signs a new ideal lying him to Antield for four more years.

65 v Bondeaux (r) 31.10.05 CL 71 mins (was 3-0) RF Nets his first goal of the campaign with an assured finish from a Boudewijn Zenden assist.

66 v PSV Eindhoven (f) 22.11.06 CL 65 mins (ven 2-0) f5 Equals Ian Rush as uverpool's leading scorer in European competition with a strike assisted by Onk Kuyt.

57 v Main City (H) 25.11.06 PL 67 mins (won 1-0) RF Takes advantage of a mistake in the

A terrines bender to yours in Gradieress City defence to drive the ball with power past Nicky Weever

68 v Fullharm (H) 08.12.06 PL 54 mins (www 4-0) FF Sees his penelty saved by Fullharm keeper, law, path after but makes po

keeper Jani Lastuvka but makes no mistake with the rebound.

89 v Chariton (A) 16.12.06 Pt. 88 mins (use 3-6) RF Curling Brish two minutes from time to out the result beyond doubt against

to put the result beyond doubt against Charlton in South London 70 v Bolton (N)

101.01.07 PL 3 mins (was 3-0; RF Volleys home from the edge of the area after good work from Kuyl and Jermains Pannant on the wing.

71 v Armenal (H)
09.01.07 LC 68 mins (fast 8-2) NF
A fantasist voiley can'll prevent the
Rects going out to the Gunners in this

extraordinary League Cup tie 72 v Shoff Unitled (II) 24.02.07 Pt. 73 mins (win 4-0) NF A wonderful touch past a defender leaves him feet to tuck the ball away past goalie Paddy Kenny

73 v PSV Eindihoven (A) 03.04.07 Ct. 27 intre (von 3-0) H Sets Leverpool on their way to an unportant away win in the Champions League with a header from deep

74 18,04.07 PL 58 mins (wgo 2-0) RF Strikes a fierce drive from 25 yards to set the Reds on their way to victory

2(107/DG) 52 games 21 goals Wins: UEFA Super Cup

With the arrival of Fernando Tomes as unverpool's new no9. Genard is pushed into an advanced position and promptly scores another 21 goals





76 v Aston Villa (A) 11.08.07 Pt. 67 mins (won 2-1) FK

Arcs a free kick from 20 yards to seal victory after home side Villa had equalised only moments earlier

77 v Besittes (A) 24.10.07 CL 85 mins (lost 2-1) N

A procese header after a surging run gives the Reds a crucial away goel in this Champions League match

78 v Areenal (ff) 28.10.07 Pt. 7 mins (draw 1-1) Pt A perfectly-placed free-rick puts uverpool one up against the Gunners

79 v Cardiff City (II) 31,19,07 LC 66 mins (wort 2-1) RF After good work with Yossi Benayoun, side foots home with assurance.

90 v Besilctae (ii) 95.11.07 CL 69 miss (son 8-0) RF Plays his part in this eight-goar rout

Ptays his part in this eight-goal rout with a fantastic finish after good work by Benayoun and Voronin

81 vs. Pallbarn (fi) 10.11.07 Pt.65 mins (non 2-0) P Seats victory with a cool penalty

Seats victory with a cool penalty after Fulham's Carlos Bocanegra brings down Crouch

82 v Newcastle (A) 24.11.07 PL 27 mins (own 3-0) FK

Puls Everpool ahead on Tyneside with a sublime free-lick from distance midway through the first half

83 v Porto (fl) 28.11.07 CL 82 mins (wan 4-1) P

Converts a penalty six minutes before time to give the Fleds a two-goal lead-

84 v Botton (fl) 82:12.07 Pt. 56 mins (won 4-0) P Fires a panalty into the bottom-left.

comer after Crouch is fouled in the Wenderers penalty area.

85 v Reading (A) 06.12.07 Pt. 28 mins (lost 3-1) MF After a creat first touch, he alots past

After a great first touch, he alots past. Reading keeper Marcus Hahnemann to level the scores in Berkshire.

85 v Marseille (A) 11.12.07 Ct. 4 mirs (son 4-0) NF With his penalty-lock saved by the Marseille keeper Genard rushes in

Marsetle keeper Genard rushes in to convert the rebound 87 v Deithy (A)

26.12.07 Pt. 90 mins (won 2-1) NF A movup in the Rams defence lets him bundle the ball home to secure a late three points

88 v Luton Town (H) 15.01.08 FAC 52 mins (won 5-0) H After a Crouch knockdown he doubles Liverpool's lead with a simple header

89 v Luton Town (ft) 15.01.08 FAC 64 mics (won 5-0) RF

Drives the ball into the bottom corner after arriving late into the box to acid a lourth Rads goally the Hatlers.

90 v Luton Town (fi)

15.01.08 FAC 71 mins from 5-0) RF Plus the result against the Section/shire side beyond doubt with a super strike from 30 yards

91 v Sunderland (IG 02.02.08 PL 89 mins (von 3-9) P

After Jermaine Pennant is taken down inside the area, Genard steps up to slot home the penalty

92 v Inter Milan (H) 19.02.08 CL 88 mirs (von 2-81 RF

Wonderful long-range finish to give Liverpool a precious second goel to take to the roturn leg at the San Siro in this big Champions League clash:

9:3 v West Hann (H) 05:03:08 Pt. 83 mins (won 4-0) RF

Business as usual as Steven fires home from 25 yeards to seal an emphatic victory

94 v Newcastie (ii) 08.03.06 PL 51 mins (won 3-0) NF

A wonderlist chip past the orrushing keeper Steve Harper after being put through by Fernando Torres

95 v Araonai (il)

OLD4.06 CL 66 mins (won 4-2) P Holds his nerve to sink a penalty earned by Plyan Babel alter Koto Tours commits the lout

96 v Blackburn (H) 13.04.06 PL 60 mins (wex 3-1) RF Passes calmy past Brack Friedel after a one-two with Lucas to open the scoring for Liverpool.

200B/09

44 games 24 goals Wins: FWA footballer of the year; LFC top scorer

With 24 goals, it's Steven's test sooning season. The memorable campaign includes a 4-th harmnering of Real Madrid at Artifeld in the Champions League before a 4-t win at Manchester United Gerrard scores in both games.











97 v Middlesbrough (f) 23,08,08 Pt 90 mins (von 2-1) MF Provides a tantastic test-minute finish to win Liverpool the three points.

96 v Marseille (A) 16.09.08 Cl. 26 mins (won 2-1) RF A world-class finish in front of the Franch tans as he sends a looping shot past the helipless Mandanda in the Marseille goal.

96 v Marseille (A) 16.09.09 Ct. 32 mins twon 2-1) P Seals the win with a penalty after Ronald Zubar tips up wideman

100 w PSV Eindhoven (fi) 9t,10.08 Ct. 76 mics (wor 3-1) Fit Celebrates his 100th goal for the club in style with a smart free-lock from 25 yards out.

101 v Portsmouth (H) 28.10.08 Pl. 76 mins (von 1-0) P Slots home from the spot effer a goal-attempt from centre-half Sarvi thypia is handballed.

100 (\$1.106 kt. 90 mms (dnes 1-1) F Avarded a penalty after a collision in the box he strikes home with confidence to earn the off-colour Reds a point on the night. 103 v Bolton (A) 15.11.08 PL 73 wins (von 2-0) H Aller Initiding well with Torres he glances the ball into the bottom left-hand corner to put the Reds two up.

104 v Marseille (if) 26.11.08 Ct 21 mins (wan 1-0) M Finds himself unmarked at the back post to alnot progression to the knockould stage of the lournament.

105 v Bitacktburn (A) 96.12.08 Pt. 90 mins (won 3-1) RF Keeps his composure to score a test-minute goal to feep Liverpool firmly in the title mix.

106 v Huiti City (H) 13.12,08 Pt, 24 mins (draw 2-2) RF A neet close-range goal to reduce to deficit after Hull had gone two up

107 v Hulli City (II) 1 3.12.08 PL 32 mins (drew 2-2) (8* In the right place at the right time to hermore home an equaliser for the Reds against the Humbersders.

108 v Newcastie (A) 28.12.08 Pt.31 mins (won 5-1) NF A wonderful finish off the upright to put the Reds one up against Newcastle.

109 v Newcastle (A) 28.12.08 Pt. 61 mins (von 5-1) NF From a Lucas through-ball he adds a fourth goal with a chip over goalkeeper Given.

110 v Everton H)
14.01.09 PL 68 mins (drew 1-1) RF
A classes strike from distance to
give the Reds the derby lead

111 v Eventor. (ft) 25.01.09 FAC 54 mins (drew 1-1) LF Socidays later a fine tell-footed finish after a fantastic flick from Torres.

112 v Real Mackrid (ft) 19.03.09 Ct 28 mins (won 4-0) P Gabnel Henze handles in the area and Genard steps up to increase Liverpoof's ligad in this clash of giants.

113 v Reat Madrid (N) 16.03.09 Ct. 47 mins (won 4-0) RF Cuts across the box to execute a stunning half-volley after great work from Rivan Babel in the build-up

114 v Man United (A) 14.03.09 Pt. 44 mins (von 4-1.) P Kisses the camera at Old Trafford after puting the Reds ahead in a crucial clash against their great rivals.

115 w Aston Villa (N) 22,03,09 Pt. 39 mins (won 5-0) P An assured penalty after Riera is fouled by Nigel Reo-Coker in the box.



116 v Aston Villa (II) 22.03.09 PL 50 mins (won 5-0) FK

A well-worked free-lock sees Gerrard send the ball into the back of the netfive minutes after the interval

117 v Aston Villa (ii) 22.03.09 Pt 65 mins (vion 5-0) P

Seals his hat-trick with another penalty after Villa keeper Brad Friedel is dismissed for taking down Tomes.

118 v West Ham (II) 09.05.09 Pt. 2 mins (won 3-0) RF

Finishes past the onrushing goalie Robert Green after good work from Torres to provide the assist.

119 v West Ham (II) 09.05.09 Pt. 38 mins (Non 3-0) RF

After his penalty is saved by Green he follows up to convert the rebound

120 v West Brom (A) 17.05.09 Pt 28 mms (aon 2-0) RF

Opens proceedings against Albion with a deft chip after a defensive error

2009/10

49 games 12 goals

In Banitat's last season in charge uverpool finish seventh. Genard features in 49 games, scoring 12 goals

121 v Tottmeharm (A) 16.08.09 Pt. 56 mins (lost 2-1) P

Converts a penalty after debutant Glen Johnson is brought down by Sours keeper Gomes

122 v Bolton (ii)

29.08.09 Pt 83 mins (won 3-2) RF Hammers into the top comer from 12 yards after a Benayour comer was headed into his path by Torres

123 v Hull City (II) 26,09,09 Pt 61 mins (non 6-1) RF

A looping cross-shall finds its way underneath the crossbar and over Hull keeper Myhäl.

124 v Birtmingham (ii) 09.11.09 Pt. 71 mins (drew 2-2) P David Ngog is brought down in the area leaving Gerrard to fire home.

area leaving Gerrard to the home.

125 v Wolves (III)

26.12.09 Pt. 52 mins (won 2-0) H A powerful header after Emiliano Insua whips in a delightful cross.

126 v Reading (A) 02.01 10 FAC 36 mins (drew 1-1) BF A leasing ball into the box arred for

Kuyl finds its way to the bottom comer of Reading's goal

127 v Unirea (II) 25.02.10 EL 57 mins (wen 3-1) RF

Slots the ball home after good build-up play from Lucas and Benayour.



128 v Blackburn (16) 28.02.10 Pt. 20 mins (woo 2-1) LF

Picking up the ball inside Biackburn's half he starts and finishes a move to open the scoring.

129 v Lille (H)

16.03.10 Et 9 mins (won 3-0) P Dispatches a penalty to give Liverpool an early goal as they seek to overturn a first-leg deficitly the French side.

130 v Birminoham (ii) 04.04.10 PL 47 mins (drew 1-1) RF Fires in a fantastic opener to give

Liverpool the lead at St Andrews

131 v Burnley (/l) 25.04.10 PL 52 mires (woon 4-0) RF

A deflected effort finds its way into the back of the Clarets net as he opens the scoring in East Lancashire

132 v Burnley (A) 25.04.10 Pt. 59 mins heap 4-05 RF

Curis a fine 25-yard effort in the same feature to seal an impressive day at the office for the Reds.

2010/11

24 games 8 goals

Gerrard's season is interrupted by mjury and his 24 appearances is his lowest total since 1998/99 He still manages to score eight goals

133 v Rabotnicki (fl) 05.08.10 EL 40 mirs (won 2-0) P

Nggo goes down and Steve puts the ball away from the spot in this Europa League qualifier

134 v Main United (ii)

19.09.10 PL 64 mins (lost 3-2) P Keeps his cool to claw a goal back for the Reds after Tomas is brought down in the area.

135 v Man United (A) 19.09.10 Pt. 70 mins (lost 3-2) Fit

Takes advantage of a poor United wall to convert a free-lock

136 v Sunderland (H) 25.09.10 Pt. 64 mins (draw 2-2) H

Gerrard heads home a Torres cross to regain a point for Liverpool after Sunderland on ahead controversally with that 'beachball goal

137 v Napoli (il) 94.11.10 EL 75 mins (won 3-1) RF

The first of three against the stunned taken side. He acunces on a back pass to divert the ball beyond the goalkeeper after corning on as a sub

138 v Napoli (ii) 94.11.10 EL 88 mins (won 3-1) P

Puts the Rads in front for the first time on the night after Regis defender Glan Johnson is fouled

139 v Napoli (fl) 04.11.10 El 89 mins (won 3-1) RF

Completes this Europa League hattrick with a delightful dink over the Napoli keeper what a camed!

140 v Blackburn (A)

05.01.11 PL \$1 mins dost 3-11 RF Lashes in a half-volley after Torres.

2011/12

26 games 9 goals

Wins. League Cup; England player of the year

Liverpool beat Cardid City to win the Carling Cup Gerrard's first trophy since 2006 and also reach the FA Cup final. Steven scores a hal-trick in a 3-0 derby victory over Everton plus important doals in both leas of the Carling Cup semi-final v Manchester City

141 v Man United (II) 15.10.11 PL 68 mins (draw 1-1) FK

When Charlie Adam is tripped by Rio. Ferdinand Stevie curls a low free-lock through a gap in the United wall

142 v Newcastle (H) 30.12.11 PL 78 mins (won 3-1) LF

Runs from deep to take a Jordan Henderson pass in his stride and slide a low finish under Tim Krull



143 v Oldham (fi) 06.01 12 FAC 45 mins (uon 6-1) P

Thumps a spot-trick into the Latics top corner following a foul on teammate Maxi Rodriguez.

144 v Man City (A) 11.01 12 LC 13 mins (wen 1-0) P ignores Joe Hart's mind-games to place the ball beyond the reach of the City keeper in this semi-final

145 v Man City (H) 25.01 12 LC 40 mins (draw 2-2) P

Micah Richards handball leads to a penalty and Gerrard beats England colleague Hart from the soot again

146 v Brighton (N) 19.02.12 FAC 71 mins (von 6-1) UF Stoppy Seeguls delending sees his first shot sayed but the rebound forced

over the line from a tight angle

Reds right-back Martin Kelly

147 v Everbon (H) 13.03.12 Pt. 34 mins (non 3-0) LF Coolly Roats the ball into an inviting net at the Antield Road and after Bluss poale Tim Howard saves from

148 v Everton (it) 13.03.12 Pt 51 mins (von 3-0) RF Aller Luis Suarez cuts in hom the right flank his leaves the ball to Gerrard who stams it high into the net.

149 v Evertum (K) 13,03,12 Pt 90 mins (uon 3-0) LF Combines with Sugrez scale to steen

the ball in from close range.

Seven rates this detry heble as one of the highlights of his Liverpool career. It was his fifth hat-hold, coming as if did on his 400th league appearance for the club and a monthafter he'd lifted the Carling Cup after a penalty aboot-out in lihe Wembley final acainst Cardiff City.

Going into this 88th league meeting of English tootball's most-played derby, the Recht Shad enduned three consecutive deletes in the Berdays. Permier League but it was the first time all season that Liverpool had started a league match with Gerrard and strikers Liss Suarez and Andry Carroll all on duty. Meanwhile David Moyes was a tew hours from the 10th anniversary of his appointment as Everton boss, and looking for his first vectory on nermy soil.

No. uverpool player had notched a hard-rick in this litture since lain Roueth's lamous four goals at Goodson Park back in 1982. Alterwards Dalglish commensed: "There is no way! Could extol line writues of Steven Genard and do him justice. Thing goals tonight was fariastic revend for him."

A month and one day later the two sides would meet again this time in the FA Cup semi-final at Wembley



2012/13

46 games 10 goals

A first season in charge for Brenden Rodgers the fifth Reds manager for whom Steven has played and a farewell campaign for Gerrard's team-mate and pall Jamie Carragher

150 v Gormel (H) 09.08.12 El. 41 mins (www 3-0) RF Scarez goes past two defenders and

Scarez goes past two detenders an squares for the captain to tap in

151 v Main United (H) 23.09.12 PL 46 mins (lost 2-1) LF In this emotional fedure just after the

In this emotional licture just after the Hillsborough Panel findings, he takes a dropping ball on his chest in the erea and volleys in with his weaker foot

152 v Autor Villa (H) 15.12.12 PL 97 mins (lest 3-1) H

Gets his head to Johnson's cross-shot to divert the ball into the villa net.

153 v Pulham (it) 22.12.12 Pt. 36 mins (uon 4-0) RF Latches on to Stewart Downing's reverse-pass to piace an exact finish across the goalleeper

154 v Stoke City (I) 26.12.12 Pt. 2 mins (lost 3-1) P Just seconds in al Stoke when Gerrard opens the scoring with a penalty



155 v Norwich City (ft) 19.01.13 PL 66 mins (won 5-0) 95 A low bouncing effort from outside the box makes if 4-0

156 v Mare City (A) 03,02,13 Pt. 73 mins (arew 2-2) M Chests down a loose ball 25 yards out before powering an unstoppable half-volley past old foe Hart.

157 v Swansee City (it) 17.02.13 Pt. 34 mins (von 5-0) P Ignorea delaying factics by the visitors to put the ball in the comer beyond goal-seper Michel Vorm

158 v Tottanham (H) 10.03.13 PL B2 mirs (won 3-7) P Gernard wins an entertaining contest late on with a calmly-converted oenality at the Kop end

159 v Aston VIIIa (A) 21.03.13 PL 60 mins (won 2-1) P After Suarez draws a lout from the Villa defence. Gerrard nets the winner

2013/14 39 games 14 goals

Following his pre-season testimonial match against Olympiacos at Anfield, Steven moves into third in the list of all-time appearance-maillans, anding the campaign on a total of 669 he converts no less than 11 penalties in all competitions.

180 v Crystal Palace (fi) 83.10,13 Pl. 38 mins (won 3-1) P Despite Eagles keeper Julian Speroni's antics on the line Gerrard sends him the wrong way with the penalty

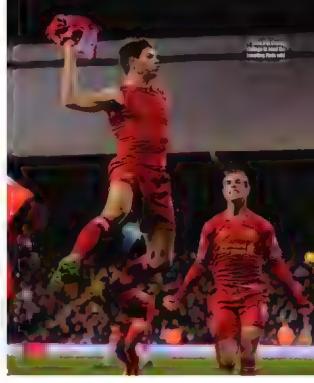
161 v Newcastle (A) 19.10.13 Pt. 42 mins (drev 2-2) P Ospatishes a Suarez-worr penalty at St James. Park with confidence to seathis 100th leadure goal

162 v Hult City (A) 01.12.13 PL 27 mins (incl 3-1) FK Arrows a free-tock around the wall and into Allan McGregor's goal

163 v Stoke City (k) 12.01 14 PL 51 mins (won 5-3) P Calmly slots the both past Pothers goale Asmix Begovic from 12 yards in this eight-goal thriller in the rain.

164 v Aston Villa (II) 18.01.14 PL 53 mins (drew 2-2) P Beats Brad Guzan with a low-struck penalty to make 4.2-2 at Anfield

165 v Everton (ft) 28.01.14 Pt. 21 mins from 4-0; H Scens to connect superbly with a Suarez comer at the Amfield Road end and break the deadlock in front of the visiting Everton fans.



166 v Fulham (A) 12,02,14 PL 90 mins (won 3-2) P

With the michweek ancounter poised at 2-2, a nerveless Gerrard wins it with an exact effort. One unbridled joy!

167 v Artemat (A) 16.02.14 FAC 59 mins float 2-1) P Haives the deflor with a well-struck, low spot-kick, but the Gunners go through.

168 v Sourthampton (A) 01.03.14 PL 90 mins (von 3-6) P A superb spot-lick files high into the net as the rampant Reds score three.

169 v Mars United (A) 16.03.14.Pt. 34 mins (von 3-0) P Ratael's handball allows Gernard to make it 1-0 with a side-located effort in front of the Stratford End

170 v Mars United (IU) 16.03.14 Pt. 46 mins (was 3-5) P Another penalty and the same result as he places the ball in the bottom comer

171 v Sundorland (f) 26.03.14 Pt. 39 nins (von 2-1) NF Opens the scoring with a thumping fee-kick into the top corner

172 v West Harn (A) 06,04.14 Pt. 44 mins (von 2-1) P Sends Adniar the wrong way after tames Transics had benefied the but

James Tornions had handled the boil

173 v West Harm (A)

08.D4.14 91. 71 mins (wan 2-1) P Moves ahead of Kenny Dalgésh in the dub's all-time top goalscovers list with another successful pen

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Steven passes the 500-main for Phemer League appearances and skippers Liverpool for the 473rd time in his final game against Stoke City (the great Ron Yasts is next-in-fine with 417 matches as captain).

174 v Tothanham (A) 31.88,14 Pf, 49 mirs (von 3-0); P In making il 2-0 Imm the spot he surpassas Jan Wolby as Liverpool's all-time loading panetly-scorer



175 v Ludogorets (H) 16.09.14 UCL 90 mins (won 2-1) P

A nerveless late penalty dispatched in front of the Kop to clinch the points in this Champions League group opener

176 v Everton (ii)

27.09.14 Pt. 65 mins (draw 1-1) FK Tim Howard gets a hand to the freekick but can only help it into the net.

177 v Leicester (II) 02.12.14 Pt. 54 mins (woo 3-1) NF

Pounces on a loose ball in the area to drive a low finish past Foxas keeper Kasper Schmeichet.

178 v Basel (H) 09.12.14 UCL 81 prins (draw 1-1) FK Whips an inch-perfect set-piece in off

the post at the Koo end to set up a. dramatic finale against the Swiss.

179 v Leicester (d) 01.01 15 Pt (drew 2-2) P

Opens the scoring from 12 yards after Wes Morgan is adjudged to have handled a Raheem Sterling cross

180 v Leicester (H) 01.01 15 PL (drew 2-2) P

Sends the keeper the wrong way with his second spot-lock of the alternoon in a hard-fought draw with Leicester

181 v AFC Wimbledon (A) 05.01 15 FAC (www 2-F) H

Javer Manquillo's cross is met by the inrushing noë's downward header

182 v AFC Wimbledon (ii) 05.01.15 FAC (won 2-1) FK

A bending free-kick dips over the wall and beyond the fingertips of the keeper against the South Londoners

183 v Tottenham (H)

10.02.15 PL 53 mires Iwan 3-21 P The skipper places his spot-kick in the comer and away from Hugo Lions

184 v QPR (II)

02-05.15 Pt. 87 mins (won 2-1) H In his penultimate Antield game he puts an earlier massed penalty behind him to head the winner at the Kop.

185 y Chelson (A) 10.05.15 Pt. 44 mins (draw 1-1) H

Heads home at the far post from Henderson's free-lock on the stroke of half-time to silence the home tans

186 vs Sloke City (A) 24.05.15 Pt. 70 mins (lost 6-1) RF

Runs on to Ricke Lambert's header to get behind the Stake defence and place a low finish beyond Asmir Begovic, marking his last LFC game. laco a rithy

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What can Steven Gernard expect when he joins reigning MLS champions LA Galaxy?



tever Gerard will be eligible to play for LA Galaxy once the MLS summer summer summer opens on 1 July Fis new manager Bruce Annau, who met him in February before Liverpool's Europa Leegue tie with Besiktus at Antiekd, told ESPN. "He's an experienced person and he will be able to adapt." I'm quite optimistic about that.

Gallaxy play in the Western Conference of the MLS with Vancouver Whitecaps making recent headway at the top. A dozen teams from the Eastern and Western teams from the Eastern and Western Conferences (top six from each) qualify for the MLS Cup play-offs effectively a knock-out stage like the Champions League with the one-off lass conscious the filters resid.

Galaxy known as Los Galacticos, are the only club to win five bities, the most recent last yeer. Thi every way they are a marquee funchise," says MLS writer Grahame funchise," says MLS writer Grahame funchise," says MLS writer signings to their success on the pitch

"They also have one of the best home grounds in the league. StubHub Center. English fains might find the benches that make up most of the stands rather strange but it's a topclass venue." Named after a sponsor

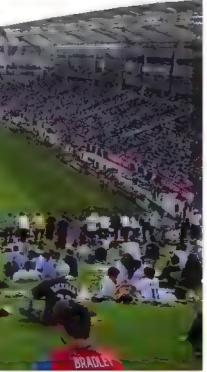


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Ruthwer continues: "it's fair to say that ML Sis still very much a developing competition at this stage Sut it's like any other league in the world: there are good teams and bad teams. The paice is quite similar to that of British footbal. The number of artificial pictness in the league can slow it down sometimes, but most games are played at a high tempo.

It is challenging and plenty of big names have come unstuck in the past. Nice Rafael Marquez who signed for

dreaming





"It's quite common for MLS teams to train at night before flying to a game"

the New York Red Butts from Bercelona as one of the best central defenders in Europe but was ultimately released by the olub after a difficult spell pleying here Steven Genrard obviously has the ability to be a big success but that doesn't mean that he will find a sasy.

"Another thing is that media coverage of the league is very different to the UK. Access so much more swalable, with the locker rooms opened up to the press after every

game. Of course they are a little more protective of their big names but even their access is much easier

"Training is different, too, Because of the Internet travelling schedule MLS sides land to train wherever they can, it's not like in the Pramitic League where is team can practise at their own training ground in the monning then bases to a game in the evening it's quite common for MLS teams to train at night before thing to a game the next month."

Steven will be jouring former Reds team-male Robbie Keene all Galaxy although another star man, andon Donoven: retired ast season. Ruthwis says the current best players in the league are, I'm no periocale roter Keene, Ocolem Martins (Seattle Sounders), Bandley Wright-Philips Riew York Red Bulls), Jermane Jones (New England Revolucion) and Deepo Vasier (Pordand Timbers).

AREN'T YOU...

Robbie Keane: the ex-Red has scored 55 goals in 85 games for Galaxy as skipper "[Gar-ard] is arriving as an addition; not as a replacement as captain," he's told reporters. "I'm locking fervierd to it. I've obviously spoken to him and he's excleted about E."

Nigel Reo-Coker the ex-West Ham captain will hope to average LPC's 2006 FA Cup final win if his Montreal impact ever tace Galaxy. Frank Lampact efter so many Premier Lesque duels the pair may face each other when Lampard joins New York City PC - II both clubs progress to the MLS post-easson.

and 2007 Champions usague finals and now plays for Orlando City.

Krisztien Nemeth; spent three years at Liverpool but left for Otymptacos without making a full first-team appearance; now with Kansas City in the Eastern Conference.

Benofi Cheyrou: the Franch midfielder is brother of ex-Red Bruno and recently joined Yoromb FC.





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For footballers summer comes and goes in the blink of an eye HAMAR



ummer is usually seen as a time when footballers. hit the beach and spend weeks and weeks doing absolutely nothing. The reality is much different. When played we'd usually finish with averpool around the end of May before joining up with our national teams for games or a tournament in June. Then we'd be back for preseason training at the start of July So in reality it was maybe a lew weeks

off, and that was in a good year Now the schedule is even more packed for the top players. This year's Champions League final is on 6 June and there are European Championship qualifiers the following weakend: Most Premier League clubs will go on pre-season tour roughly three weeks from then it's just not enough time to rest, especially in England where there is no winter break- and this is in a year where there is no World Cup or Euros lating place

Non-tournament summers should be used as a chance to give everyone a proper breather, otherwise you'll see more and more of the top plevers picking up serious injuries in the future Footballers need time away from the game for their bodies to recover and to refresh mentally

Lusually went back to Germany to see triends and lamily then did a week in Spain or Portugal to get some sunshine , was lucky to be able to eat and drink what I wanted my weight never really changed. But not everyone is like that. Some had to watch their diet a bit more closely, they would put on a stone 4 they were mactive for just a week and the last thing you want is to turn up on the first day of pre-season completely out of shape

Despite weight never being a problem for me-always made sure

"Players need time away from the game for their bodies to



that did some fitness work the week before we were due back at Melwood. usually a few 30-minute runs. That, and maybe the odd game of tennis or found of golf was the only exercise to usually did during the summer

always tell a complete break from the pressures of the game was beneficial, especially 4 the season had finished in a disappointing fashion. Thankfully most of the years , was at uverpool anded with us in the top four or having picked up a troofiv But there was the odd camparon. such as when we lost to Bradford in 2000 on the tast day and missed out on the Champions League, that leave you frustrated and that feeling stays with you in to the summer

found getting over the 2002 World Cup final defeat against Brazil took me a long time months rather than weeks, especially as i dibeen involved. in us conceding the first goal.

Just new Correctio, Didd?

Eventually during the summer there comes a time when you have had enough at being away from football and you start to look at transfer speculation. You obviously want to see your dub linked with top players. aithough professionals probably don't get as excited as the lans. The danger of looking at transfer stories is there might be talk of someone who glavs in your position coming in Some players can'l handle that, I always saw it as a challenge and accepted that it was part of being at a big club

It's only when you turn up for the first day of pre-season that you can see exactly how good the new players are. Then it all starts again, and within 30 minutes of being out on the pitch at Melwood doing some running. the summer holidays suddenly seem a lorid time add.

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Karl Robinson has just managed MK Dons into the Championship - but the former Liverpool FC Academy coach tells Simon Hughes he's still learning his trade



ight days on from Mik Dons' promotion to the Championship and manager Karl Robinson's

phone has not stopped ringing. He has bought a diary to organise his media.

engagements. This is one of them. He is travelling to Swithdon to cover is pague One play-off be with Sheffield united for Sty trevusion. He speaks on his hands-free set and stops at a service stable to buy a new changer. having left his own at home in the rush to meet the tatest impending appointment. The attemption of his achievement remains. But thoughts are afreedy with ned season.

re already with next season.

Once you achieve success it's something you want to repeat extractions are something you want to repeat extractions are something you want to repeat it's the very I was brought up as a coach at Jiverpoot you win then you move on You only look at mediats briefly otherwise you'll start failing behind. The focus is a thready behind. The focus is a thready.

on doing something else the next, challenge. We've anjoyed the limelight but we reall very determined to compete at a higher fevel and not just be another number.

Robusson is 34 and the third forgest serving manager in England. The start of May marked the little year since he was coronasod at Mix Dons, when how outside coaching cincies had heard of him Before that, this work at Everpton's academy led to opportunities at Mitton Keynes then Blackburn Rovers, where he met Robbe Fewler.



"You can't coach Robbie, of course, he taughts. "Tugaty was there, along with Roque Santa Cituz and Benni McCarthy All of these players are living legends in their own country. Then

there was me: a lad from Garston ' A relationship with Fowler blossomed and after a soell as a player-manager in Thailand in 2012, the legendary former Liverpool forward bnefly joined Robinson's staff "Latil phone Robbie and ask him for advice. As bold as might sometimes seem, I realise success in football is built around support. That's why I'm so grateful to people like John Gorman, who was my assistant (at MK Dons) in the first few years. Then there was Mick Hartord, Ian Wright and Didi Hamann. You need to have good, strong people around you."

Robinson has now been away from Liverpool (Ingret hain he was there. Bei Bygnover, Liverpool FC's chaplean, had ongreatly introduced him to Steve Heighway then the Academy director after a back mury led to him being released by Swindon Town before his professional playing carrier

i didn't know what I was going to at a Base and had a similar and the Steve believed in me I realise how unbelievable It was I was in my early 20s. I was working with the old in that I supported and getting taught the right way. There was a trainer adout burden with the work and Steve reminided us of that a wary day. "For our development as posches

"I was in my 20s working with the football club that I supported"

Steve encouraged us to play nonleague lootball. To be a good coach, you have to love playing more than enything, whatever that level might be et. So I signed for Marine, Mike Yeles was with Lancaster lain Brunskill with Droytsden, Steve Hollis with Accompton Stanley Stuart Gelling with College Bay and Gareth Evans at Witton Albion. We'd play for our clubs. on a Saturday then coach Liverpool's Under-6s, 7s, 8s and 9s the following morning. It was a bridiant life. We went touring in the Far East and North America, Going anywhere with a Everpool badige on your cost

I couldn't have been any prouder street touched the corrects of a many coaches as well as players. He was big on one values. The most important one was that you could always do better. Regardless of the achievement, you can improve That was the message put onto us as coaches and then from us as coaches to the young players, which therefore improved them.

coached a lot of players currently in Liverpoot's Under-21 side. Riyan Kant, Carneron Brannagan and Jack Dunn



came all sta (years old) and Harry Wilson was thore at eight 11 never farget the first day Jordan Rossiter arrived, visiting a Cellic lat. He maily dominated the paly from multiled He was one that made you go 'wow straightaway. You have to have a cortain meritality to play for Lyvinpool.

Richurson believes Steven Gerard, tras set the standard that all of uverpool's Academy players are judged by "Steven's only a year older than me but im not embarrassed to admit that be's my hero." A photograph exists of Robinson standing beside Gerard with other young Academy coaches at a party after Liverpool defeated West Ham United in the 2008 FA Cuo lina.

By the time this article goes to print, Gerrard will no longer be a uverpool player. Robinson can relate to how

Calchyding promotion to the Countrionship with MK Dwar



difficult it is departing the oluty you support. If remainder when Michael Owen was on the verge of signing for Real Machiel Loculdin I believe it. How could the leave Liverpool? I Jurind to Sexie [Heighway] and asked why on earth anyone would wint to go. Sizeve said metter of leady. You'll wall leave. Then he went: The one thang that should always remain in the very that the club conducts business. and the fairs

I esked him about when you should leave. He told me that the day comes when you get to the end of the drive in leave you give your all when you can do no more. The same applied to any note a cleaner a socially guard, a neceptional, a player or a coach. I wasn't absolutely cartain that rule could be applied to me at burspool obscusse warrated to acheve so much more and t was happy. But sometimes you have to back ends.

Robinson had mel Paul lince through coaching his aon Thomas, a jurior at Jiverpool. When ince become MK Oore manager in 2007 there was an unexpected opening. "Inhally Paul warled someone etse to do the job as the list-flaem coach. He was wating on an analyer from them and in the memitime sounded me guit. I bid hy mum and deta about it and they said was dat for even considering at was dat for even considering at was proposed to the said.

"I'd jast become a perient for the first time, it was riday, from a francial point of-view as well. But i've never made a decision based on money from moheable by being the best person and worker can be someone my tarnly on he proud of judge my life by whether I make the people I care most about happy.

Pest Hamberg had basen over from Steve Heighway and he was very supportive of the deceation, as was Book Parry (line LPC chell executive) who beaked one with tremendous respect, snying I could always come back it it do not work out. The way everyone all tuverpool conducted themselves was remarkable."

Back then Robinson did not to esset the future the subsequent move from Mitton Keymes to Blackburn, where he later worked under Sam Allardyce the iste into management, becoming the youngest in the Football Lasque

younger than Grian Clough when he took his lirst job at Hartlepool. He believes the key to his emergence has been the courage to stick to his

Ever since I was young apprentice at Swindorr was verved as a cheeky Socuser. The explains. "It's a difficult thing to shake, aspecially when you're a locabal manager where the window for what you do as a protessional and as a person is in the technical area or during managerieyer. The orly people



The same of

"I respect Man United but you can imagine how it felt to beat them"

who really know me are my termity my mum, my dad, my missus, my brother my sister and a few close friends. Yet you are consumity judged by those who don't really know who you are. I'll admit it I'm at a party I'm usually the one you can heer unfortunately.

the embarrassing uncle. I'm also obsissed by football. Because I'm so passionate, occasionatly if might come across as over-confidence. But i make no apologies for lihet. I'm never going to change.

If only arm where Lam because of what it do on the trening ground it's amazing how much more stressed. Lam I how much the job gets to the . When I don't do it, if it'h stuck in the office. There sinchting beter than putting on a nece clean pair of Copa Mundala and coaching a bunch of entitueastic tooldaafers. It's the best feeling in the world.

Robinson has been puedled with developing young players like Deli All, who will gain "olderham Holspur this summer heining soored 16 goes liner medited in MIK Dons; promotion campaign. Yet he recognises the importance of experience. One of his most importance of experience, one of his most importance in a 2015 has been Carl Balleti. a 32-year-old mediteder with Robbinson first saw playing in the same Jivippool youth side as his brother Cara, before he

was released as a teenager for being too small

"Graeme Souness airight - you can never have enough senior pros. They set the standards for the rest of the group. They drag the younge lacks over the line. For every posidently player promote into the lind team. In yo make sure there is the same number of senior players. Finding that belance is crucial."

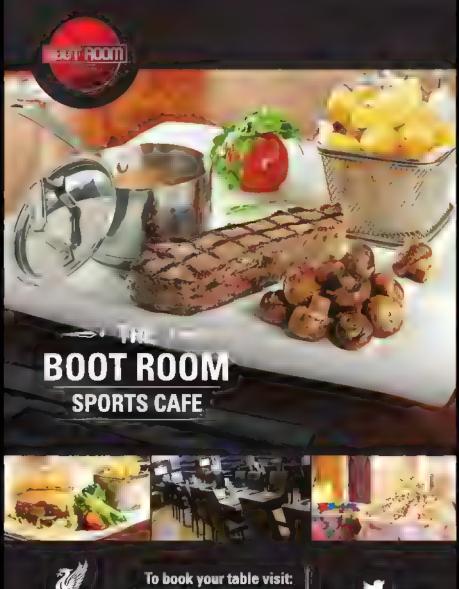
A marker for the season was laid. when MK Dons thrashed Manchester United, knocking them out of the League Cup in August, "It was surreal. It's easy to forget that United had seven established international players in their side, as well as David de Gaz who's probably been the best goalkeaper in the Premier League since I remember looking up at the scoreboard with 86 minutes gone. The crowd started singing 11's 4-0 and you re getting heaten by a Scouser Being from Liverpool, you get so much stick up and down the country. For once it being sang in a jovial way was a moment I'll never ever lorget. I had to contain myself alterwards. Although I have so much respect for United as a club, I'm a Liverpool supporter. So you can imagine how that felt."

Robinson fiss had threo opportunities to manage bigger clubs in the past. That he rejected them suggests he is carefully balanong humility and ambition. "Of course it's a dream to manage in the Premier Lasgour," he says." Bull he not achieved anything in Notball 1 sail count myself at the bottom of the load chain and the got a lot to learn the got a decent record for someone my age and a promotion heimfall the but it's hig cause for celebration 1 don't deserve pasts on the back. Not yet."



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people congaled out of Lime Street in delebration." Alan recalls. "I think that a lot of Liverpool lans went down to the Liver Building to see if the birds on it had flown away if was a special night." Bill adds: "When we got to our house we were shallered. I remember asking to be woken early the next morning (Sunday) because we wanted to go into lown to see the fearn with the cup "

At the Town Hall, Shankly addressed the people who had come out to cheer their heroes. "We couldn't get near it - there were thousands of people around," remembers Alan

"You couldn't hear the tannoy system property. says Edt. "Even if we could, it would'ive been impossible to understand what Shanks was on about!" Alan again: "I ended up on Date Street, rather than in front of the Town Half on Caste Street. But the excrement is what i recall most. Winning the cup didn't feet real at the time.

The incredible scenes set the tone for future triumphs as it became a tradition. for a sea of lans to jostle for position to toast the Reds following further FA Cup and European Cup Inumphs

Liverpool's path to the edge of glory field seen them navigate their way past West Brom. Stockport County Solton, Leidester and Chelsea, Hawng



from their hatel in Weybridge to Wembley in case their own vehicle

should break down.

Five days earlier the team had completed their league campaign with a 3- win over Wolves at Molineum Alan Hignett, Thomas Lowry Bill Molyneux and John Sealey all made their debuts as Shankly fielded a second-string side as he eyed the bigger picture of the date at Wembley followed by a two-legged European Cup semi-final against Inter Milan

Captain Ron Yeats had rehearsed words to say to the Queen in readiness. for a Liverpool victory, but Shankly was determined to take the pressure of his team ahead of the clash with Don-Revie's side. He'd appeared in related

"Leeds are honoured to be on

mood on radio levounte Desert Island Discs the week before the final and on the day of the game uverpudian singer Frankle Vaughan and comedian Jimmy Tarbuck were guests in the Reds dressing-room ahead of kidk-off

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Despite a meagre ticket allocation of just 15,000 for both sets of fans, the travelling Kopites were in line voice and it up a grey day in the capital with their red-and-white flags

Leads had been promoted to the top-flight as Second Division champions just 12 months partier and had then only missed out on the First Division (itse on goal-average to Manchester United.

Already gaining a reputation for a pragmatic approach under Reve Leeds would enjoy an intense availy with uverpool in the years ahead. Shankly however had his psychologist's hat at the ready. "Leeds are honoured to be on the same field. as you." he told his players before tock-off. "You're going to win because you're the best learn and you're not going to disappoint the greatest supporters in the world.

Years later Shankly recalled: "We decided we would play the ball around and be patient. We were not going to be emade. We wanted to win that cup. Whether we entertained people or not didn I make any difference in the end we had to go into extra-time, but we won the game

A battle was expected and with a senes of fours throughout, the final is not remembered as a classic. The dame was 10 minutes old when Gerry Byrne sustained an injury that became part of Liverpool folidore, breaking his collarbone after being dattered by Leeds Skipper Bobby Collins



With no substitutes allowed in those days the full-back carried on. The dour befensive approach of Reveis side allied to Liverpool's caucier meant the opening 90 minutes based to products a goal and the final went into extra-time for the first time since 1947.

The Reds Invester prided themselves on their fitness and were well selected for the order half-hour within three minutes while Steveney pedad out Byres whose out-back was headed home by Roger Hunt. The joy was short-fived however with useds everling eight minutes later through a venomous series from Bay Bremner But on 111 minutes came he moment that yould nonlier here status upon an St. John amined.

In his autobiography The Saint, the Scottish striker resilled. The sweetest moment of my lootball life. Willie Stevenson worked lant Celaghan eway on the night and tan, as elmost always, timed his cross perfectly. For some reason Garry Sparks, the Leet's goalkeeper came off his line to get the ball against all the odds, and twent past him to meet it. The useds line was guarded by their right beat Paul Peaning but the net seemed huge to me how, and headed the ball with a heavy burn is tifely home.

We were back in the lead with nine initiates to go, if you haven't bound God in your libs, you find him at times like that. You hear yourself praying, please God, give me this. I had never had such an attack of instant nitigion and it seemed that the game, and my convisions, would last forever. Then it was over, gloriously, beautifully Finally the Livet Birds had flown out of our hiese.

After dimiting the steps to the Royal Box, Vaels torgot his invest to the monarch and multipred an extrausted thenk-you as he was handed the cup. "Evertonians had always hobed uverpool had never won the FA Cup and received a termendous emount of mail after the linal, congrabiliting ma, as captain, or our victory," said Shankly's Colossus. "Some were were.





"The net seemed huge and I headed the ball home with a bump"

from older supporters who actually wrote that they could now die in peace after Liverpool had won the trophy

For Shanky the thumphi was far more than a box ticked it was a significant signpost on the way to establishing an Anfield dynasty. The levor and humour of our supporters came over foud and clear he told fournalse ushin force than the sautobography. They even changed the Nabonal Anthern to "God Sare Dur Gracous" feam and that was the finest fever heard the anthem sung! At the end of the day they chanted: "Se-aye addit, we've

won the cup:
It was a well day raining and
splanhing, and my shoos and pants
splanhing, and my shoos and pants
were covered in white from the chalk
off the prich as I welled up to the end
of the ground where our supporters
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went to line supporters because they
had got the cup for the first bine.

"Grown men' were prying and it was the greatest beiling any human could have to see what we had done. There have been many proud moments. Wooderfu, lantastic moments. But that was the greatest day.

The thousands who descended on the city-centre the following day were in no mood to disagree.

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Dan Cleary and Alex O'Hanton, two talented Irish lads in Liverpool FC's Under-21 squad, reveal their hopes and aspirations to John Hynes

Tell us how you both joined Liverpool...

AC'M: I'm from south Dublin and was playing for a team named St Kevin's when a scoul spotted me I was 15 and came over here quite a lew tries to train before signing a contract.

OCS If was a similar shutton for me from south Dublin too, a place called Drinnegh. We actually played together in the same district side book home. Alther 15 been spotted playing for Crumin United I travelled over here during holiday is to tran and then joined permanently. I was 15 loo.

Leaving home to move to a new country at such a young age can't be easy...

IDC: When it happened we were still vidis really. You just see a chance to play for unexpool and it's a dream come true. You don't realise exactly what it will movible the us and outs of it all. Now, when you're older and you thank about things more. It would probably be a tougher decision

AO'TH. It's a log discissor, You are leaving your lamily and fhends behind. You are bascally giving, up your sense, years, It lakes a white to finit about it and then it takes a white to feel comfortable when you get here. The first lew weeks after you move are tough.

DCT I was really homesoic for probably four or five months. Everything changes. "I's not just the hootball You start going to school here too. ACP'th We fived in the same digs for the linst two years so that helped because we were going through it all together. After a while you do settle in the getter. After a while you do settle in

Part of that process is feeling comfortable in the dressing-room - there seems to be a few charactiers among the squad... DC Definitely Lawerica vigououx

(goalkeeper) never stops talking He's got to be the loudest. AO*H: Ryan McLaughlin is another who's loud. There is always faughing and joining going on. We'll be giving the Manchester lacts (Joe Maguire and Cameron Branninger) some stick. Or someone site will be picking with us

DC: It's all good-natured. You need that because football can't be serious all of the time.

Dan, you're a centreback, and Alex, you play in midfield. Have you always been in those positions?

AO'N: At Under 15 level was usually a leth-back how i'm a central methodole i think that is been a good change for me because like getting or the ball and passing it should, don't like detending too much so it's definitely good in that sense! DOC When I was younger Lused to play centre-mid. As got older moved back into the defence. Medical was good because you could scort more goats. If get one or two now but obviously not as many.

Liverpoot's style of ptay is vory much based on attacking - how does that affect you directly? Do! in probably gres defendes some more work to do because there might be times when we play three at the back. In that formation you can end up in one-ori-ones quite a tot, so you dehording in those shallons has to be good. It forces you to improve. AO'N: As a mindfelder who wants to go forweal it's great. We are really encouraged to get at the opposition and create or score.

"I can't stand losing at anything, football or ping-pong - I hate it!"

Football is always evolving - how important is it for young players to be adaptable?

AO'H. You have to be able to play in offerent formations because the team sort always one joil oset up the same way. Or if you go out on loan there are no quarantees that the formation would be exactly the same as it is here. Doc. think we've already had some experience of how houbtal changes by moving from trefand to England in Dublin the style is different, part of it is about getting stuck in AO'H. Then we carrier here and there is so shouth more emphasis or getting

State McRanamen, Bob Johns and Robbin Folker allend U21 games don't they?

the ball down and pasting it.

ACM: They don't un training sessions but they'll watch and then maybe point out something you could do better or slightly differently. Dec. If a great to have them to talk to about different elements of your game. ACM: They'll have a word and you can ask them about what they would do in cartain situations. For me as a markfetder it's a real benefit to learn from McManaman. a player who worked alongsode people like Zinocline Zidane. Roberto Carlos and Reu.

in under-age football is winning the priority or is it more about development?

DC: , can't stand losing at anything, whether that's ping-pong, darts or football. Chate it





AO'H: Winning is definitely a habit and where you come to a club like Universical you want to win every game. If you are tucky anough to get to the first teem it's all about winning so you need to have that approach.

SC: Jamie Carragher wanted to win at everything in training, even a livea-side. Leten video where the Skypundits and some sports people wera having a sodiabout. Carra was almost fooling Jawis Hamilton out of the way because he wanted to win so badly AO'H: If you have that approach you will hopefully develoo too.

How has your game progressed over the bound of the season?

AO'th I va sconed a few goals and think I va done obay - definitely feel stronger and think some parts of my game have got better AI the same time. I move I still have plenty to work on Rive my heading and weaker loot. 'DC: Back in August dicht I think I'd play so many games for the Uniter-2's but I've leeshand quite a bit. Psying at that level has helpset me to improve especially when you face abds who have Premier usague experience. You see their name on the team-sheet beforehand and know it wont be easy.



so lit's good to test yourself against them. It talks you how much work you still have to do

Training with the first team must help you to improve too...

AO'H: It does the tempo is much quicker if you don't move the ball sharply you won't have it for too long DC: The first time you go to Malwood your head is spinning a little because you are suddenly on the same pitch as guys like Gerrard or Suarez.

AO'H: But you have to get over that quickly and play your normal game.

DC: think that's important. You obviously want to impress, but there as no point in trying to do things you aren't capable of

How do you continue improving?

DC: think I need to go out on loan. That has to be the next step. It's unusual for a manager to throw a really





young centre-back in to a Promiter League team, so need to get my experience in other ways and going on loan is probably the best (way), unds file Jack Dunn, Shey Ojo and Joyd Jones have all been at other clubs this season and you can see how it's helped them.

AO'Nt: think spending some time at another cub probably wakes you up to the demands of real football 12th is good but it is not the same as League One or line Championships where people know here invelinced depends on the results. There's also the fact that you would be playing in front of bigger crowds regulativ.

Steven Correct said a lipetualism's cureer is full of highs and lows would you agree?

AO'H: Yeah, every player has good and bad times. When you are really young you probably get very upset about it

DC: People see being a footballer as the perfect life, but lihere are times when you trimk about packing your bag and going home. I'm sure everyone here at the Academy has experienced that all some point

AO'H: Or you could get a serious injury like some of the lasts have that: Samid Yeal damaged his grucate twice and was our for a long time. So if things like that happen you just have to stay strong and keep going OC: Manacht and seasons.

haure in football. We know lads who were at other Premier League clubs but at didn't which out and they moved back to heland. We're at one of the best clubs in the world and have been given a great opportunity. If a up to us to make the most of it and deal with whatever comes along.

AO'H: in a way any lows meen the highs are better. They make you more determined to succeed and hopefully get to the first team at some stage.

BEST OF THE

Throughout the 2014/15 season the matchday programme This is Antield asked players for the games, people and places that have shaped their careers here are a few highlights

hair's how Philippe Coutinho and Mamadou Sakho in last season's matchday programme, described Liverpool's 3-2 victory over Manchester City on 13 April 2014 It was an early Sunday afternoon and a 1 37pm (volv-off in recognition of the 25th anniversary of Hillsborough - with a minute s silence impeccably observed by both sets of fans before the dame. Emotions were clearly evident, not least from skipper Steven Gerrard at the end of this thrilling encounter

A 10th consecutive Premier Jeague with for Liverpool would put them seven points sheed of City with four games wit for the home side and six for the visitors placing the destiny of the title in Liverpool's hands But City hadn't lost away from home in the league for five months. Either way poals were on the cards between the two highest league acorers in English football

For the second successive home game the team bus was greeted by a see of devotion atong Antield Road, and sor minutes into the match Raheem Sterling fit the touchpaper in front of the Kop with LFC's 100th goal of the season in all competitions. Twenty minutes later Martin Skrtel's flick from General's comer made it two. Yaya Toure imped off injured. inversion looked ready to run riot

For the second half though City manager Manuel Pellegnni brought on James Miner for Jesus Navas, and the England winger provided the assist for David Silva's opal He also had a hand in the move on the other side of the Liverpool box that led to Glen Johnson's pwn-coar

With City now pressing for the winner and only their second with at Anheld in 23 league visits the hosts regrouped and Coutinho pounced upon Vincent Kompany's error to fire home. Despite Jordan Henderson's late dismissal, the Reds hung on and at the final whistle Gerrard brought the players together into a huddle: Norwich City next.

Philippe told the programme, "It was another big game against a rival al home. The prowd was loud and we were all up for d. We knew we had to play well and did so. especially when they came back to make it 2.2 It's a result 'It never forcet. Scoring the winner was an unbelievable feeling.

Marnadou added: "That was such a bid mornent because we were very close to winning the title. When they got if to 2-2. It was tough. Then Coulonbo scored and It was superbill just amazing.



"The crowd was loud and we were all really up for it"



Jordan Henderson's best Reds game so far was the 5-0 win at Tottersham Holspur in Occerniber 2013. "This was the match where we really stamped our intentions for the rest of the season." said the vice-captain. "It was one of the occasions where pooled statisfel to realise how good a Learn we were "We played well and sopred some good goals" sharing them but, and it was not to get one myset"."

Jordan also picked Liverpool's 4-0 win over Everton at Antield in January 2014, and the 5-1 Irouncing of Arsenal the Jollowing month. "We played fantastically well in the derby producing some great attacking football Against Assenal we just played them off the park that day and they didn't really know what had hit them.

For Jordon libe it was a close cell between his Riscs debut as a substitute at Anfield against OPP in Mey 2014 and his first full professional appearance - for Wycombe Wanderns at home to Sheffeld Wordnesdy in October 2011. "I'd adually made my debut (as a sub) in the League Cup against Colchester United. was only 15 and it broke the club record for the youngest player But I made my first start against Wordnesdy and sooned an equalities after dribbing past a couple of players and smeahing if in The referee than booked me for beliebisting with my mumit Although we ended up losing. It's a dry III never lorget."

Jon Flenegam verif for another win over Manchester City. a 3-0 success in April 2011. "If was my debut and the fact we won made the day perfect, didn't know was going to be starting until two hours before lock-oft. We'd had a few munies so I thought I might get on the bench. Their Kenny Delglish named the team and I was in 4. I don't think that I let myself down on the night.

hat was goalkeeper Simon

Mignofer vertick on a low. ferce
shot by Cristano Ronaldo in last
season's Champions League
match with Real Waded at Amfeld.
He is brillant - one of the att-time greats.
At Amfeld has goal wess a superb fish.
He also had a shot in the second half from
a light angle that in managed to push swisy.
Ive neyer last ball that was his or hard.

With Belgium five always been impressed by Eden Hazard his is a fig leient, as is Divided Cargot flink his bean do really well for as in the future. Two of the best five worked with all club level are Staven Gerrard and Las Suserez. Luis sooned against me a lew limes before I came here go I i raise all about him But seeing him up close in training made me realise just how plannoument he is."

Defender Martin State) pack Fabro Cannavaro as a childhood hero. At first my clobs were strikers, il werybody watches the strikers, il was Marco van Bastern then Folderto Baggio 194 the time I howed to confre-back. Fid started watching Cameravaro a lot, in my, opinion he is the best of the last. 20 years Considering he was not so tall, he won werything in the air He was a leader and advans seemed to be in the noth looston.

It's hard to pick one loughest opponent because no game is easy. Every player has the ability to cause problems, especially in the Premier League. Chelsea's Dictier Drogte was one of the best in the world. Andy Carroll, both for Newcastle and in training with us, was tough, it was never comfortable. It was a big fight every time.

My most telented farm-mate is Raheem Sterling—you see his skill every day in training. Then there is the pace and

"I've never felt a ball that was hit so hard"



intalligence too. He is attill a young player but showed last season what he is all about. If hope the cames on in this way because eventually he could become one of the best players in the world.

For team-mate Phillippe Coutinho vook no thin the than Earneson at sind resident in always watching her football in my spare time 1 love the game and lividata is probably the player Lilies to watch most. He vision is amazing, also look at footbage of Ronaldining and the way he played, particularly during his lime at Barcelona. He is a fero to many many people in Brazil. If y to copy a lot of his skills and tricks. Kaka was smilar and another played really enjoyed watching. Those two could create so much for the fearn. That's what I by to do

Back in defence again, Kalo Toure picks Agen Sequera as he toughest opponent have to pick someone who give me a hard time when was otherwise at the top of my game. For the would say Shazer We had a reality strong side at Assenat but Shazer was always hard to mark. he movement his strength and his finishing, if you gave him is chance he'd issuely score. For those games though had to be tough mentally." o sauf full-back Juvier Manquillo aboul Alleco Madind manager Diego Simeone. "He is a legend briere and periect for the clab because he represents what it is about hard work determination and still. As a manager he gets all of the players fighting for the same cause. The players develop an identity with Alleti – even the

"At Europeot Brendan Rodgers is similar in his ways to Spanish coaches. The sessions mobile a lot of technique and are short but intense. He is a fantastic coach and I have a lot of respect for him."

Ernre Cain's first coach was Jupp Heynckes at Bayern Munich "He had won almost exerything there was to win in the game but still had the cleare to win notre. He gave me my debut and gave me a lot of confidence, to express myself in the way! I wanted to.

Sami Hypna a Liverpool legend was in charge at Bayar Jiverhuser and I enjoyed playing for him too. Now my coach here is Brendan Rodges and he convinced ma that Jiverpool is the place I needed to be to progress my darker I want to repay that faith.

Forward Richie Lumbert seid: The Fad a tot of managers high me during my career Sarrny Michoy made me the captain of Stociport County. At Brochdale Steve Parlam moved me uptront. At Bristol Rovers Paul Trolope made me a better player. Alan Parciew, at Southampton) helped to get my attude right and set the wheels in motion for me. was playing down the leegues for a reason. He came along and gave me the lock up the beck-side that in recrict.

"From then on each boss has developed my game. Nigel Adkins and Maurico Pochettino at Southampton and now Brendan."

For Mannadou Salcho, picking out is at one influential coach was virtually impossible. "Christian Mas was my first coach when went to the PSG academy. He was the guy who made me nailes how budy, was Then I'd say Paul Je Guen, the former PSG boss because he is the person who naid the confidence in me, to sunch my caseer the day after my 17th birthally If also put a modure of every coach I've ever had: Didier Deschamps, Laurent Barnc, Carlo Annedotti, Antoina Kombouran, who was in charge at PSG just belone Ancolotti, he is the Jers manager now. And of course Brander.

Rodgers. They all give you something:



"He gets all of the players fighting for the same cause"





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I Ebenne are old hiends and foes from Liverpool FC's past, having met the Rods in an eyor European. Cup quarter-final in 1977. More recently defender Dejan Lowen encountered them as a yorn player.

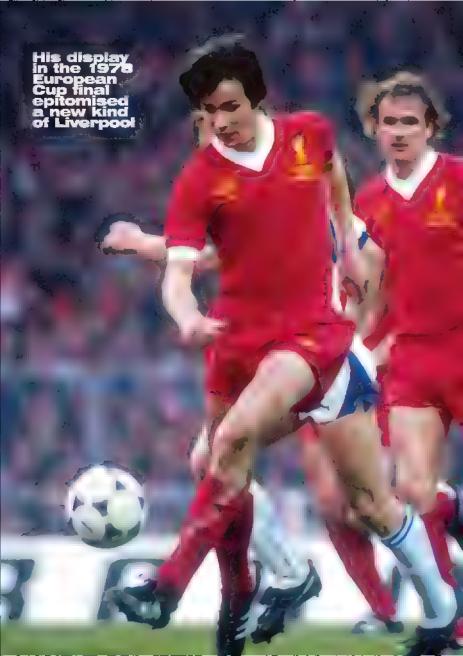
If have prayed in many speciabular hotball grounds but always choose the atmosphere instead of the atena. Said the Croatian international. When Iswas a Lyon player the deety at Saint Benne was always intense. The stadium there Stadie Geoffroy-Guichard, is like an English stadium with four big terraros if preases an amazing atmosphere. Saint Ehenne is a big football city and you could feet the passion."

Fable Borini want for Rome's Stadio Olimpiach "wouldn't say had the bast season at Roma in 2011/12, but during that 12 months made the quickest improvement of my career. That was the year really became a player."

Still in Raly, Reds full-back Jon Flamagan theet the San Shorin Mar. "Although we been ucky enough to see a fot of European football's best stadiums, that's one I've missed out on "I'd like to go there, either with Liverpool or lor a rasty Milan derby As for Anfaul, my first trip was at the age

of six with my dad to be honest have no idea who the apposition were but five towed going ever since then As a Liverpool supporter and player there is no better stadium than Arfield The thrill or playing there on a regular basis is something that can't restly describe." Glen Johnson Briew a bit of a curveball "When it comes to non-locabil stadiums, the San Francisco 48ers Lavis Stadium is one I'd toxe to vest. I've been a tan sance I was young, in America they build increcible sponting venues and they look brilliant on TV. the Superbowl was the perfect example of that."







BIG

Alan Hansen, who celebrates a special birthday next month, looked cool beyond belief on the pitch but was often a bag of nerves, as David Cottrell discovers

I's not Kenny Dalglish's best moment in a Liverpool shirt - the classic white away one with the ned V-neck collar but il lells you a lot about Alan Hansen. Old Trafford April 1980 and it's one apiece between Manchester United and Liverpool in the first half after goals from Dalglish and Jimmy Greenhoff, in the centre-circle Hartsen has the ball at his feet as the entire United outfield learn charges forward to catch the visitors offside. Without hesitation he chips 4 over all of them and surges onto his own pass, suddenly and sensationally alone in the United half, beering down on goalkeeper Gary Bailey with referee Pat Partridge

Kenny aprints to Hansen's left with not a single United player in sight. They re inside the skylard box now Bakey boll-upright resigned to being beaten if you've never seen it. Google. 'Dalgish mas Old Trafford. The buildup is sublime but waith the lest bit from behind the sofa.

correctly waying him on

"He was oreside but I was offside." Designer recalls: "They the lo p rush up and Big Al's cleared the rot of them and ran after it. In my stupicity, and I must have got a good start. I was the list one up to support him, and Gan Balay started unining beckwards bowards goel. Big Al's run in and I'm going. "Hit He hit It!"

"He doesnae really want to hit. Sometimes if Big Al couldnae get rid of it, he'd get a wee bit of Iright when he got up in the opposition half. So he takes another louch, and I) get up beside him. And he looks at me, and he just dips his shoulder. Sels the goale a dummy sells me a dummy loo. And I'm waiting for the pass. He's trocked it in first of me and must be a yard out in front of the Stretford End. and I missed it. That wesnes a very pleasant moment."

A rare one, too, when the duo got their wins crossed. It's now three decades since Hansen, Dalgfath and fellow countrymen Graeme Souness played Logether in a Liverpool XI Kenny Jumed 64 in March this yeer Souness is 62 on 6 May Hansen will he 60 in Jume 10 in Jume

'Alan Hansen, 60' For Jiverpool fans that remember his earliest appearances in the rad shirt as a tall, rangy centre-half with a touch of unquestionable class, it's hard to believe. So loo is a myth peddled by others of a similar age downthe East Lancs Road that in those same days when Everpool raigned succeme most of the 1970s and 80s Manchester United were better to watch, United were always the 'glamour learn of that there is no doubt. They also had players like Gordon McQueen and Kevin Moran in central detence. They didn't have envone like Hansen.

In his first season with the Reids he'd won the European Cup. Admittedly the final of 1978, at a visure past its self-by date and only just retaining an aura for the big occasion, has never quite measured up to the year before.

mason of 60

familiar story of not longetting the first time and being rather less nostalget, about the second. But if Wembley 78 haarn had guite the same mig for supportars as Rome 77 the 1-Q victory over FC Bruges oburtety of Delglish s 68th minute winner in low. Jown first season with the other. Season with the proper appearance second half European appearance.

marked the tournament as Liverpool territory not for a solitary season bull for the foreseeable tuture.

Dalglish and Sources combined for the final's most telling contribution and Hansen was involved in another key moment, Bob Paisley's Reds had been leading for 15 minutes when one hair raising moment of non-alignment with his goalkeeper and lellow delenders threatened to ruin the 22-year-old's evening. Hansen's hestation allowed Bruces striker Jan Simoen the chance to shoot, but Ray Clemenca came to the rescue with Phil Thompson completing the clearance. It would've been cruel on the young Scat whose performance on the night belied his nexperience. The European Cup final was his 26th appearance of the campaign, having replaced the injured Tommy Smith (who dicontrived to drop a pick-axe on his foot in a bitaire accident at home) for the three league games leading up to the final

As a youth Hanser had represented Scotland in three other sports - golf. volleyball and squash before jorning elder brother John at Partick Thistie where he played as a winder then centre-half When he moved to Liverpoor for £100,000 in May 1977 his arrival was noted in one brief paragraph on page 32 of the matchday programme for a titleclinching match against West Harr United, "I have high hopes for him" was the simple appraisal from Paisley A dozen years later Torm Saunders. the club's youth-development officer revealed in the programme





"Alan came down to Anfield for a trial but we didn't take it any further"

that Hansen had been rejected by uverpool as in 15-year-old after a four-day their "Meve never claimed to be intailable and Avan is one of the youngstess withorn war allowed to leave after a very brief period of time. He came down to Anfield with three or four other teds from Scotland, but we didn't take metters any further.

There are so many things to consider when it onlines to signing a lad of that age," continued Saunders, and obviously we couldn't have been sufficiently convinced. Also admits that until he left school at 18 he enjoyed his golf more than playing looball, yet he never feth he was good enough to become a professional golfer he had not shoughts of becoming a professional footballer either but stiller tan weeks of working in an insurance office he realised that was not from her misurance.

Nevecasite and Bottom both had dieas about signing him, but with Parack batting to avoid relegation they warriset to keep him. That was when we appeared on the scene again and so Alan returned to Artifield this brine to sign on the otded him as a hully-fledged professional. We'd been keeping an eye on him for the best part of two years, and even when we signed him he was one for the future. Ray Remedy who denerve it just as much."
Frite one, Emira—and well done:

WELCOME ALAN

Liverpool welcomed a new recruit test week. It is ear old Alan Hansen from Partick Thiskle I have table 1 have table to the reason standard Sob Paintey No doubt Alan, 400. As table hopes of heighing the country's Foromest rules desider Further Strocks.

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Gooff Tvientymän; our chief soout, weathed Alan play various rises as a sweeper in defence, and as a modifielder He was a good reader of the game, possessed good control, and possood the ball well. Gooff remarked that because the reade everything took so says. Alan was not an easy others for assess.

Dalglish jorned uverpool three months after Harsen. They became pass but tended to avoid each other before a game in the dressing-toom. Kaniny remembers: "I'd be in the shower room, trying to get a feel for the ball, booting it against the wall, because we driver go out to warm-ups then. Big Ai would sit reading the programme, don't know whether he was reliaced but he'd be reading it.

He wasn't far from it. Perhaps finding strength in numbers as one of the team's dapper Sootish contingent. Harsen steadily became one of the big beasts in the dressing-noon jungle and in notionous practical-joken But in the early days of hits Anfield career he's since admitted he left 'totaly inadequate and out of my depth inadequate and out of my depth.



In 1977 they thought I was the coolest character inever warmed up and "d sit in the dressing-room holding the programma singing the Billy Joal song Don't Go Changing. They'd look at me and go. That's unreal for a kid! But underneath I was scared."

On the pitch though it was a different story with Hansen explaining: "To have someone like Kenny upfront, to hold your passes and lum them miggolden goelscoring opportunities. was manna from heaven. When possible we'd give each other a little hand signal - mine to let him lenow I wanted to pass to him and his told

"They thought I was the coolest character but I was scared"

always be reflect upon to furn a bad bell into a good one. This did wonders for my confidence

Hansen's languid gail belied excellent anticipation and a refusal to hoof the ball uplield. Like a young Franz Beckenhauer with whom he was compared. he always seemed to have time on the ball. Most thrillingly he could stride out of defence and straight into the heart of enemy territory to set up attacks, the way he did at Old Trafford Against Bruges at Wembley two years earlier his accomplished display at the back epitomised a new. improved Everpool that refused to panic when presented with stubborn opposition particularly in Europe and remained patient in its approach Incredibly he was back in the reserves at start of the following season. 1978/79. but when Emlyn Hughes got injured he regained his place and never relinguished it.

Hansen wor two more European Cups with Everpool, in 1981 and 1984 and was the last man to lift the old League championship trophy for Liverpool - his eighth in a red shirt - in 1990. By then he was dub captain and of the Parallel Bullion and with 620 appearances to his name. Two decades as the voice of lootball punditry on BBC's Match of the Day were about to begin

JOCKY THE JOKER

Hansen, Dalglish and Souness temously loved a wind-up, but one tale involving leflow Scot Stave Nicot the perennial fall-guy took even their black humour to another level Big A takes up the story

"We're in Israel preparing for the Europeen Cup final [of 1984] and I've done my hamstring so I think I'm going to miss the game. We're out having a drink and I'm sat there, down in the dumps. Kenny is nae there, he's no drinking. Nicol turns to me and says: Alan is there something wrong will Kenny?" Off the top of my head I say: "He's got aix months to live - he's dying Nicol goes like this Ihands on head and says: 'Nooc - you're kidding?' I say: 'It's true. He's in his room. But don't tell anybody

Nicol opes to the toilet. Graeme Souness has clocked this and

says to me: What did you tell him?" say: 'Kenny's dying Incurable disease' So Graeme says: 'Take him back to see Kenny. Fil phone and tell him you're coming. So Nicol comes back and we get in the laxi. He's looking out of one window. I'm looking out of the other. He turns to me and savs. See when we get there. show him no pity - the worst thing you can do is show him any pity

We got back to the hotel and take up two beers and a Martini and iemonade for Kenny. We get in, sit down and Nicol's going, "I just can't believe this Kerviy says: Alan, thought told you not to tell anybody' say "Well he was upset and wondering what was wrong so I had to' Nicol's sal there shaking his head. Then suddenly he turns to Kenny and says: "Here, I was wondering why you were playing so badly





FARA WILLIAMS ENGLAND IN GROUP F FRANCE, COLOMBIA AND MEDICO

WOMEN OF INFLUENCE

The seventh Women's World Cup kicks off in Canada on 6 June and two Liverpool Ladies will be there. We begin our preview with England midfielder Fara Williams

This will be your third World Cup - how excited are you?

It's great to have been selected and this tournament is a little bit different. for me immere malure now understand myself as a player more than I have at any other tournament. At previous competitions I've reaybe but too much expectation on myself with wanting to do things that I thought other players couldn't do and then underschieving But new I'm plaving well for uverpool and also feel that ve grown into 'England coach' Mark Sampson's style of play so I'm going into it in a better place mentally

Beardy (Liverpool manager Matt. Beard) has done a lantastic job with me over the last couple of years and really given me the confidence in the ability I have to deliver. Mark also trusts me in that area which is encouraging. so hopefully can have a good tournament

Coach Mark Sampson replaced Hope Powell In December 2013 has it been different?

For a start he's given lots of players an opportunity to stake a claim Since he took charge he must have used at least 35 players in 8 months also think he's adapted factically We lost 3-0 to Germany in a friendly in November and he was quick to learn lessons from that,

We had a great qualification period where we were playing all-out attack scoring goals and getting players ponfidence up. We could do that because of the opposition we were playing. We tred it against Germany but found that doesn't work against the best teams. Now I think he's found. a way of setting up a team to win games while being tighter in defence. We were much better against the USA in February ta narrow 1-0 defeat, and then won the Cyprus Cup by going through the tournament unbeaten before deteating China in Our most recent game

So we ve certainly found a way now under Mark of winning uply when we have to which is something we've not



"I'd love to get past the quarters in a big tournament - I've never done it"

been able to do in the past. Points are more important than performances, perfouldrly in the early stages of a competition. Hopefully we'll be able

What are England's targets for the competition?

You have to believe you can win it.
I've always wanted to win a trophy as an England international. Getting

to the final of the European.
Championships in 2009 was probably one step further than we thought world achieve, but who wouldn't want to win a World Cup or is European Championship?

We have to be realistic through and we've got to start the group well. France is our first game and we've besten them, but we re well-pleade as a squad to mally groun them a genne. If we can take points at the start of the group stages that will give us confidence going into further matches.

In my level Cups.

we've reached the quarterfinels so I don't bank we should look past that for now First and foremost we have to get out of our group and then the preparation for the knocknut stages is elways different in the group stages you can set largets for points, but in the knockout stage they are one-oil games and there is oncompletely different minister

and approach
I'd love to get past the
quarter final stage. ve never
done it and it's something
that all the girls and Mark
went to achieve

Have you spoken to Asisal Oshusia bland the lumpament?

Yes. Thave. She says their been speaking to her learn-matter and that they just need to befere. Zee is quite a positive person she tries to focus on what she can do rather than what she can't. She's looking lonward to testing herself against the best. She

had a fantastic Under-20s World Cup, sha a performing well for Liverpool, so hopefully she can go and have a good fournament with Nigera.

At 31 you are one of the more experienced players in the squad...

My strength is my knowledge of the game so I try and help people on the oitch. Players such as Rachel Brown-Finnis and Faye White helped me for many years with off-the-field things, and in this squad there are players such as Casey Stoney and Laura Bassett who can do that And I'll certainty do all I can if the younger players ask for advice. One thing Mark has emphasised is that in a souad of 23. people have different attributes and whether we get on the pitch or not. everyone has an important part to play We all lunew our roles going into the oligning environment and how we are going to get the best out of each other

If not England, who do you see as winners?

France are one of the touchest teams have played against, but in tournament football they never seem to progress to the latter stages dign't know whether it's latigue or the pressure gets to them, but they never seem to push on. Even in the Albanye Gub in March I thought they had a good chance but they got in the final. America witbe one of the learns to chase as they always turn up in tournament lootball and know how to win, Japan are an encressive technical team too and fully deserved to win the World Cupin 2011 when [midfielder] Homare Sawa had an incredible tournament. So if I'm looking outside ourselves I'd. probably go for Japan, America and, as underdogs France.

Fara file

Age: 31 Position:
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Old you know. Fara is England is most-capped player and has been on the withinking team is 81 at ther
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LIBEY STOUT AMERICA GROUP ID NICIERA, WARDEN AND AUSTRALIA

How do you see your group?

It's arguably the toughest. Sweden is a really difficult opponent who always seem to be in our proud in men's and women's football. I don't know. how that works out! Nigera will be dangerous and Australia too

How is the feeling in Disc. making T

Everyone knows we are a very patriotic country. It doesn't matter what sport or whether it's a lemate or mate event, everybody gets around the JS team and supports them. I understand there on every TV channel advertising the World Cup so that people get behind the learn

America fost to Japon In the 2011 final - will that be a blo factor to go one better this time?

Definitely I was still in unifour years ago and remember watching that game in the run-up to the final you thought we were going to win it, but Japan didn't lie down I think that will definitely sour people on. The group of pirks in this US squad haven't won a World Cue and a

int of them are now with their 30s, so they definitely went to win one before they and their time with the THE RESERVE AND PARTY.

How has the build-up been?

We probably haven't had the best run leading up to the World Quo but we did with the Algarya Cup which got as back into the swing We compete and play at our best when we eve in the biggest competitions. We really fancy this tournament but there is fantastic competition from Germany France and Sweden.

Which USA players an your ones to watch?

A few of our older players such as goelkeeper Hope Solo and forward Abby Wambach, Lithink (forward) Alex Morgan will have a great tournament. Then there are players such as the captain Megan Baginge, Carli Lloyd, Christen Press and younger ones loofike Morgan Bryant who I have played with in the Under-23s.

Liverpool Ladies player Whitney Engen is in the squad...

it's going to be a great experience for Whitney. I'm excited to see how everyone does, but especially teammates such as Fara and Zee (Oshoala) and then girls we've played with before the way Bronze and Whitney

"We haven't had the best buildup but we really fancy this one"

INGRID RYLAND NORWAY CHOCK III CHIMANY, THAILAND AND NORY COAST

How do you see your group?

Well. Germany are in there so we dertainly have a fot of cause for revenge after losing to them in the final of the European Championships two years ago: Our girls play very well when they are underdogs. We generally have a good history against Germany as we beat them in the aroug stages of the Euros ag loo-two in the group should be within reach That would be an improvement on 2011 when we didn't make it out of the group Texpect the European teams to go through from the group stage

How in the feeling Temiture orthon

There have been a lew injuries to main players, including the captain Trine. Rorming which is a bit worrying going

"Our girls tend to play very well when we are seen as the underdogs" into the fournament, it's not optimal to have injured players so we will have to see how that shapes up. To be honest, think there is more focus

on the Olympics in Rio next yeer You have been in and around the squad

with 21 caps in the past five years... I haven't olaved that much with Liverpool as I have had a lew mury modies, so I wasn't really expecting to be called up. A lot of my bast frends are in the squad though so d'a going to be exciting to follow

Wito do you view as the strong nations?

The US and Germany and expect there will be one or two others. France have been looking ourle sharp since the Euros, but they have never puile made it in tournaments But think both France and Spain are upcoming and strong learns.

Fare and 200 are going to the finals - how do you see Their churcom?

Noona are definitely in the hardest oroup. It will be hard because Australia. are quite docent as well, but believe the US and Sweden will get through France are really good so it's oping to balezobrio to lollow them in England's group, but I think both teems will make 4 through to the knockout stages.

Which Norway players are your ones to watch?

> brillant player She's been unlucky in the last lew tournaments. She has had a breakthrough or the national team but not in a big

so there are big enciations for her this year She is really technical

mudfielder a bit like Fara in a way







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You've played at the Under-20s World Cup and the African Women's Championships...

Yes, they were good expenencies. The Under-20s burnament was also held in Canada and i think a will help me having played there before. Rigeria performed well reaching the final] and I think that will help us at the World Cup although the burnament worth be anything like the jurnament.

How is the feeling in the country shead of the fatmement?

it is very good because in the lest the Alncan Women Championships in Nambie. Now people are saying Nigeria are going to go out there

end perform with Bying colours, and hopefully we can do that The team has been training hard back home and the players are ready. The last time I went to play in the qualifiers, we had a

play in the qualifiers, we had a good camp and I sew one or two things which really persuaded me that the girls are prepared for the competition and we can go there with a tot of confidence.

You have a difficult group with USA, Australia and Sweden in there...

We are in a fough group but I think it's going to be a good outing for us. Having some tough teams in the group will really help the pirts to prepare.

seed at change have no the world Cup. For a beam to quality they have to the a very good side. In 2011 we didn't qualify out of the groups on the would be nece proups on the world the reach the knockout stages because they aim of every teams to two miter brooks.

How does the Nigeria team set-up in comparison to Liverpool?

As a professional player you need to learn how to adapt to many things around you. If I'm in the club-ade all thy focus and everything about me has to be on Liverpool and their patterns of play. When I go back to the

patterns and so, for the national team. (have to concentrate on them. That's what makes you a professional

It's being played on astrotur! - will it help that you play your club tootball for Liverpool on a similar surface?

Probably yes, We train and play on the artificial ground in Wiches and the team I used to play for back home in Nigeria, River Angels, used artificial turk as wet. But I believe It's all about what you give on the pitch rather than the ground itself.

Who do you think can win the trophy?

Every team in the four-manner til will be strong having reached the finals but I think Franco and England can reach the latter stages. Far is also going to the boursment with England and + am sure it is going to be a good competition for both teams. Nageral think played well in our qualifiers but. have also seen some England matches and I know what I saw in their friendly games lob. They are a very strong side and no one would want to meet them in the indockout stages.

"The girls have been training well and we will go there confident"

Asisat file

Age: 20 Peutiline: Fernand Previous World Cops: Unit you know family and a similar Zee and is the current Aircoan Fernale Footballer of the Year She won the Gidden Bool and Golden Ball at last year's FIFA Under-20s World Cup as the Super Flations finished as runners up to Germany

Which Assail and Nigeria in action on the following dates: Mouday 8 June v Sweden 19:00 Friday 12 June v Australia 20:00 Tuesday 16 June v UNITED (UK times)

Follow Asisat throughout her World Cup compaign through her Twitter account on @asisate1

CORINA SCHRODER GERMANY GROUP II NORWAY, THAILAND AND IVORY COAST

How do you see your group?

think it's not too difficult for Germany There are other more difficult groups such as the JSA's It would be a major surprise if Garmany did not progress to the next round.

How is the feeling In the nation?

Everyone is fairly confident thirty. everyone in Germany feels that the learn can do well

Fare and Zee are also going to the tournament - how do you see their chances?

am guite curious as to how England will do. They have good players. but then, saw they frendly against Germany and it was not the best game for them (Germany worl 3-0) It will be interesting to see how they do but hope they can finish the tournament well. The quarter-finals would be a larget for them. You can see how the FA WSL has been progressing every year that is also good for the players who play in the national team.

Being honest, I think it will be tough for Nigena armaiso pleased to see my old Liverpool team-mate Whitney Engen going to the tournament with the USA. Before she came to Liverpool she wasn't really in the senior souad. so it was a big step for her to come. here and that has helped take her caveer on



Alexandra Popo is going to be a big player in the tournament. She is still young but is a very strong player and really good in the air

> Who do you ____ Two tournament's strong nations?

> > will be in the running

although they are possibly not as strong as normally think France will be a big part of it. in the Champions cesque Lyon and Pans have rione quite well and that will help there in this tournament. like the way France tries to play football also believe Germany will do well it would be great to match 10 7 35 G 2 1 1 1 of the men and win the World Cup and menumely think there is a good chance of that Germany will be one of the tayourtes.

Women's World Cup 2015

- This is the seventh Winmen's World Cup since it started in 1991 ■ The lournament will be held. in Canada for the first time ■ Matches will span six host ories. Vancouver Edmonton, Winnipeg. Ottawa, Montreal and Monoton. ■ The tournament means the FA Women's Super League will take a mid-season break before
- resuming in July The knockout stages begin on 20 June with the final being held at
- BC Place in Vancouver on 5 July Japan are defending champions. ■ Group A. Canada (9 in current)
- world ranking) Chine (13). New Zestand (18) Netherlands (11) ■ Group 6: Germany (2): Ivory Coast (65), Norway (12) Thalland (31
- Group C. Japan (4). Switzerland. (19) Cameroon (52). Ecuador (46) Group D: USA (2) Australia (10) Sweden (5). Nigeria (32)

- Group E Brazil (8) South Korea. (17), Spain (15), Gosta Rica (37) Group F France (3) England (6) Colombia (28), Mesoco (25)
- Each of the 52 matches will be shown on the BBC with every game available to watch on the BBC Scort website, white all England fedures
- will be broadcast on BBC Radio 5 Live Two other faces Reds fans will be topking out for when the World Cug. finals lock off will be former Liverpool Ladies delender Whitney Engen and forward Sarah Gregonous After porting the club in 2012, USA

defender Enger helped Liverpool wir their first FA Women's Super League tide. After a stint at Swedish outfit Tyreso FF she returned to her native JSA to play in the National Women's Soccer League

New Zealand striker Gregorius also figured in the Reds 2013 bile thumph and now plays her club football for Japanese side AS Elfen Saitama.





Youngsters such as Jerome Sinclair Rust believe they can be first teamers



one are the days where players can switch off from football through the surnmer months In the past, it was possible to go away with your mates for a bit of a blow out on a Mediterranean island Now players can enjoy along or two week break but must keep an eye on their diet and make sure they return for pre-season training, ready for what well follow

This rule particularly applies for young players. They have to come back and impress almost immediately with the aim of being on the first learn tour. There can be no room left for error or regret.

Towards the end of the season. we've seen Jerome Sindair given a few run-outs in the senior side. Eve said. A many times in the column but no player can consider himself a first team player until he has played 100 games. I'm sure Jerome will be aware of this Hopefully his story is just beginning.

Jerome has put himself into a great position now but the tast thing he can afford to do is rest and thirth he s almost made it. He has to show he wants even more of it by returning to Melwood in July and getting in the feces of the senior players, showing that he wants to be a part of it as

I know from expenence how difficult It is breaking into Liverpool's first team as a striker. Young players rarely get an opportunity in that position. The only way they can really grasp it is by sconng goals

At youth team level, Jerome has proven that he s a natural goalscorer Now the mission is to prove he can repeat that at the highest level. It's a hune challenge but it's one that he has to retsh.

There is, of course a slightly different challenge for Jon Flanagan, Lyras

"I know how hard it is for young strikers to break into Liverpool's first team"



Javanna Sinciais crade the langue debut in Hary

delighted to see him agn a new contract after his battles with injury over the last 12 months another thing I can relate to having struggled on that front early in my career particularly

Having lost Jamve Carragher a couple of seasons ago to retrement and with Sleven Genard moving to Los Arageles Galaxy. It's really important that the team retains a local heartbeat. Jon could be that heartbeat. He's been in the stands as a find and understands how the supporters think. He understands exactly what it means to pull a Liverpool shirt on

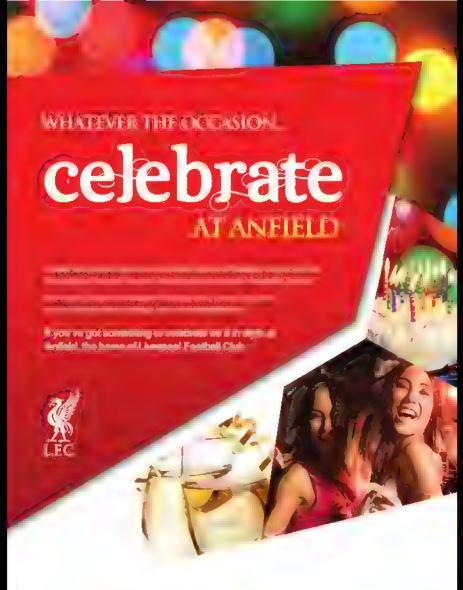
Jon has had a difficult time of late and he s had ups and downs before that being in the team being out of the team, then returning to feature in one of Liverpool's greatest Premier League seasons being one of the etar performers.

You've got to have tremendous inner strength to bounce back up after the lough times and hels shown previously. that he can do 4. Im cortain he can go on and do il again.

I think there will be chances for Liverpool's young players next season. Playing in the UEFA Europa League should provide them with some fantastic opportunities to get noticed

For that reason it's crucial that the young players don't just hope that they can become a first team player. They have to believe it.

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Legends visit Madrid

Jverpool Football Club si first official Legends match will take place against Real Macrid Legends at the Santiago Bernabeu on Sunday 14 June

Lus Garcia, viladimu Smoor Pobbie Fowler Michael Owen, Hary Kewah and James Garagher are among the explayers confirmed to play in the Unerpool agentis side. JC's all-time leading goalscorer and official club ambassador ian Plush, will manage the Pedis Isam.

The Rest Madrid side will also have a top line-up including such stellar names as Roberto Carlos, Fernando Hierro, Claude Malkelele and Emilio Butragueno.

The match well raise funds for both clubs chartable foundations. Proceeds reseal from this game will be donafed to the Reat Machid Foundation, which develops and delivers social and multirad awareness programmes in Spain and overseas. A return future panned to take place at Anfeld in the future well raise funds for unerpool EC Foundation.

The game will be broadcast live and exclusively in the UK and the Republic of treland on LFCTV Match tickets are priced at 65, 616 and 615 and will be aveilable from www.realmadrid.com/untradias.







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Anniversaries

26 years since Swedish international centre-half Glenin Hysen joined the football club on 1 June

16 years since Swss detender Stephane Henchoz joined the Reds on 2 June

28 years since winger John Barries joined the club on 9 June

31 years sance Graeme Souriess left for Sampdona on 12 June 48 years sance Ray Clemence

signed for the club on 24 June 25 years since Ronny Rosenthal signed for the club on 29 June





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Uverpoor Football Club celebrates its 123rd birthday on 3 June 2015.

LFC museum curetior Stephen Done explains: "A tot of people think that the club was formed on 15 March but It wasn't. That date 15 March is increasibly, important because of was the day that Everton Football Club, as we now know it, booted out the people who became uverpool Football Club. That was the cripcal moment where Everton broke up but not when Lwarpool Football Club was brown.

After the concept of Liverpool FC was taken on by John Houlding, owner of Artifeld, and key figures such as John McKennz and William Barday the club still had to be registered and kinding put in place

On 3 June 1892 the Board of Trade sent a certificate saying that the club formally constituted a company and could now trade. Stephen acide. "The birth certificate we have for the new club that would play at Antield says that Liverpool. To was born on 3 June, which you

pary at Ameio says that Diverpool FC was born on 3 June, which you can just make out at the bottom of the photograph [shown here on the right].

"The old Everton broke up before the new Liverpool was born"





New fixtures announced

The Barcleys Promer League and Wischestay 17 Jun. The compagin begins on the weekend of 8 and 9 August. Among the Peds focuses will be a first league meeting with newly-promoted AFC Extremental the Libert Law to the Law of the tree to the law of the tree to tree t

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International action

England will continue their qualification campaign for Euro 2016 this summer with an away fedure against Slovenia. on 14 June. They'll warm up for their trip with a Mendly against the Republic of ireland at the Awya Stadium in STREET SHOWING PROPERTY.

Everpool players Jordan Henderson, Adam Lalana and Raheem Sterling have all made the cut for Roy Hodgson's squad, England currently st top of group 6 with 15 points having won every game so far

Meanwhile Ernre Can will be hoping to help Germany to success when the JEFA European Under-21 Championships take place in the Czech Republic from 17 to 30 June.

Previous competitions have seen talents such as Luis Figo. Fabio Cannavaro and more recently Juan Mata and Thiago Alcentara make their name by winning the 'Golden Player' of the tournament. Germany have been drawn with Czech Republic. Denmark and Serbia in the initial stages and will be aiming to improve on their 2013 showing when they failed to make it out of their group.

The month also sees the start of the FIFA Women's World Cup in Canada with Jiverpool Ladies represented at the tournament by Fara Williams (England) and Asisal Oshoala (Nigeria) See pages 68 to 73 for more details

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Au revoir—for now!

Foundation ambassador Mamadou Sakho pays his latest visit of the season to local school

eds centre-back Marriadou Salkho recently made his final visit of the season to All Saints Primary School in Anfield.

Mamadou who has visited the school several times over season 20°4,15 as part of his ambassadoral role with the club's charity Eurerpool FC Foundation, took part in two French fessors with year-four pupils

He joined in with translation puzzles and games and also led a hin singing session with the youngsters in French LFCTV also filmed a special Kop NGs episode at the school with pupils quizzing Sakho about his life carrier interests and Liverbool. The French international is actively involved in assisting Foundation community coaches who deliver weakly football sessions at the school as part of their internation. On the Ball programme, as well as helping pupils with their French Language studies.

"It's very rewarding for me to use my skills to help the school" Mamaciou said: "I have really encyced visiting the pupils and staff and Al Baritis Phimary, School this season and helping out where possible, it a very rewarding for me to be able to got to know the pupils and the school well and use my skills and knowledge in such a positive way."

Andrea Cooper head of uverpool FC Foundation added Mamadous backing of our On The Ball project this season has been fantastic His involvement has such a big influence or they youngsters and we are delighted to have his continued support as a Liverpool FC Foundation Ambassador."

A STONE FOR 'OWD TOM'

How two clubs combined to honour the man who guided them to their first titles, by William Hughes



he Reds and Sunderland have poined forces to honour the marriary of poineering manager Tom Walson with a new headstone on his previously unmarked grave at Anfold Cerrollary

Affectionately referred to as "Owd Torn" he managed Sunderland from 1889 to 1996, securing their first three league championships. He then led Liverpool from 1896 to 1905, overseeing two more top-flight titles.

To mark the occasion Tom's grandson Gerald Jensen flew over from his home in America to assist with the ceremony. Both dilubs combibuted towards the cost of the headstone on the 100th anniversary of his death.

Gerald explaned: It is an extremely proud moment for both myself and our family that my grandad has been

It was
Watson
who led
Liverpool
to their first
two topflight titles



honoured in such a manner. It is testament to both clubs that they have contributed towards the bost of the headstone of somebody who was a top success at both unepool. Football Club and Sunderland APC. I know that my granded will be smiling down, beamang with profe that he success in football has been recognised by two fantations for the success in football has been recognised by two fantations for the success in football has been recognised by two fantations for the success in football subtiles.

Alan Kennady who played for both unerpool and the Black Cets in the 1990s, was stop in attendance at the unveiling, along with Sunderland's legendary goall seper Jim Montgomery Former Reds self-back Alan said "It was an honour for me at the the unveiling of Torn's headstone. He was a great manager for both dutes and it is only right for him to be eleberated.

Watson was born in 1859 in Newcastle-upon-Tyne After his

"The fact my grandad is buried 40 yards from his friend is incredible"

success with Sunderland he joined Liverpool in 1889, aged 37 singuided the team to First Division titles in 1901 and 1906. He also won the Second Division title in 1905, in total he managed Liverpool in 742 matches.

As the First World War broke out he was embarting on his 19th season in charge at Anilled; it was to be his last A his funeral in 1915 the pallbearers were Liverpool players Ned Dorg, Alex Raisbook, Arthur Goddard.



Charle Wilson, Maurice Pariv, George Ferning and Robbe Robinson as well as club trainer William Connel withing in the Everproof Echo in 1924, journalist Victor Hall Sact "One of the secrets of Watson all success in discovering new players was his own personal popularity. Everyone he med freed him and was always readily to do him a service So when "om wented to know, about, a periain player he had merely to write to anyone of a dozen whose opinion he sought to get a dozen whose opinion he sought to get

Eirc Dog, one of the statisticians for Liverpoot FC's official Hall of Fame played a key role in the ex-Reds boss being honoured and was delighted when both oldus combined to unveil the headstone. His said. "The stony is particularly dose to my heart as my granditather Teddy (Ned) Doig actually played in goal for Sundestand while Tom was in charge before brining signed by Tom when he moved to manage Liverpool!

"The fact that my grandfather who carried Tom's optim at his luneral, is buried not 40 yards from his thend who had been such a major influence on his life is just extraordinary.



Also at Anfield

At the end of 2013 another of LFC's early heroes was commenterable with a new heedstone. Watson a predecessor and the club's first secretary-manager William Barday Foodal historian George adminy Stokkeland commissioned the headstone at Artifield Cernetery.

George explained: "Ne was obligate to the citals is founder John Hoolding and there is no doubt that along with [liest manager] John McKennon he played a segnificant part in the club's formative days. After the split from Everton it was he who suggested that the new club be named Liverpool Football Club."

In 1915 Barclay's wife passed away prematurely after a long spell in hospital, and William subsequently led a solitary life and clied two years later. That he was buried in an unmarked public grave indicates his family was not aware of his death.

Among the other graves in Anfield Cemeletry are those of NEChenna and John Dermott, one of the original directors of Liverpool PC. Also intererds is Bil McConnell, chairmain from 1944 to 1947 and Thomas Heary Brodshaw the first Liverpool player to be capped for England In 1899 the cide of huberculosis in North Liverpool for Tottenham Notspur His dad was the cemeletry's gardener.





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FINE AUSSIE

Supporters Committee representative Matt Selby explains why Adelaide aims to 'out-Antield' rival city Melbourne next month



ittle must Matt Salby have thought, as a young uverpool fan growing up near Wembley Stadium in the 1970s, that one day he'd be representing every Rads supporter on three entire continents

Matt's official title on the Liverpool Pootball Club Supporters Committee is the representative for International Fans (East), a role he's undertaken for almost two years now, and as an adopted Adelaidean he's thrilled that the club are heading for the South Australian capital as part of its summer tour "I represent Asia and the Middle East, Alinca and Dosania, including Australia and New Zealand, says Matt who is originally from North West London but now lives in Adelaide Obviously they're not all Liverpool tans but potentially it is over half the world's population

When the Supporters Committee was formed four years ago. I remember thinling it like to get involved but for one reason or another

"Liverpool coming will be best thing the Adelaide **Oval** has ever seen"

never not round to it. Then nearly a couple of years ago this position came up again and someone suggested (apply for it. thought why not? I was shortisted along with two people from Dubai and Oatar and was lucky enough to be chosen latter a week long poil on the club's official website!

Llove every minute of it. The Committee is a conduit between the club and the fans, providing a clear line of communication. It's brilliant and it's positive all big football clubs should have something like this.

Matt still has a Main Stand seasonticket and reckons he's been to a good. 700 games home and away over the

years. As part of his role he attends. at least two Committee meetings at Anfield each season. Toome over by myseti but meet up with different triends I can bump into people haven't seen for years ones used to travel with from London for example. It's a community here lat Anfield!, a real family. You see the same faces."

Down Under it's the same sense of belonging. Formerly secretary of LFC's London fan club, Matt was a founding member of the Adelaide Liverpool supporters club in 2006. We've got almost 2,000 members now. Obviously it's increased with the game coming up, but 4 shows to me what Liverpool FC have done for us as a branch

"To watch a normal Premier League game we meet in the Arkaba pub in Adelaide. The earliest a game will lock all, depending on the time of year is 9.15 at night. The worst ones are two on a Monday morning. A three o'clock Saturday kick-off is #1.30 at night, it's a creet almosphere, and the season before last (2013/14), was just brilliant. we had 500 people at some games.

He ascribes two main reasons for unverpool FC's popularity Down Under the number of expats and a certain former player. "I'd said it's mainty due to Craig Johnston. That's before my time in Australia but Johnston was the early 60s. In those pre-interied days. Australia used to get Maich of the Day every week and the FA Op I near one of the tew live games. When Johnston played and scorned in the 1996 final. If was massive. He's scoric as a unerpool FC face in Australia." Must was in the Metbourne Cnotest.

Ground how years ago when a Juli house sang You'll Never Walk Alone and naturally he can't walk for the game against Adelace United on 20 July "Nis amazing for the oil; We are an Aussie Rules state too, but the football is big and this wife be the best part of the thing that the Adolace Oval has never seen

we've got 54,000, but I genuinaly think the atmosphere will be better. There's is bit of Adetaide-Metbourne rivsiry, and Adelaide fans want to beet what Metbourne old. They want to produce another Anfield

It's not just about the game on the Monday night, uverpool FC are coming and getting involved in the community, engaging with the city for three days. People heven'l stopped tailung, It's massive





THE 2015 TOUR: WHEN AND WHERE

On Friday 17 July 2015 the Reds will face Brisbane Roer at the Suncorp Stadium in Ducerisland - the state famous for the Great Barrier Reef - before lining up against Adelaide United at the Adelaide Ovat in South Australia the following Monday 20 July

the lowering monosty as Juny
Adelatic is Australia is fifth-largest
city and its redeveloped Oval, in
Its picturesque location among
perfuands and near the riverbank,
hosts cricker as well as football.

Then comes a return to another Liverpool FC hotspot: Malaysia. The Reds will return to Kuala. Lumper for the first time since their 2011 pre-season four locking off gainst a Malaysian XI at the city's Buloi Jailf National Stadium on Friday 24 July Again, the noception is sure to be near-lever pitch from the country's loyal army of LFC fans

Ian Ayre, the duth's chief executive officer suyer. "Last time the support we received in both countries was incredible. The tour gives our supporters a chance to see the team up close, no matter how far away town Arrised they might live. Keep up-to-date with all the talest bur never a time www.ffcou.com.



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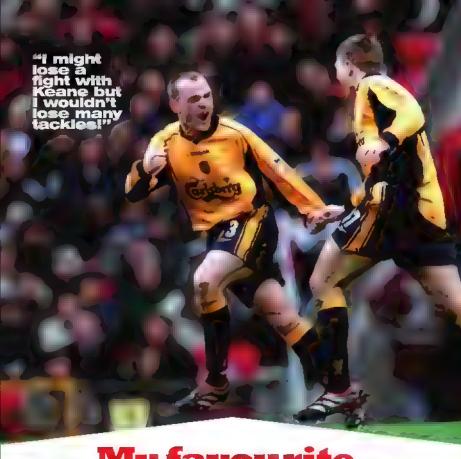
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Gerrard, Nicky Stati Descrip Murphy and Jamin Carracher

conviction with which they were delivered that marked Gerrard out as someone intent on having a major impact for the Rads

At that point he had made 63 appearances, song four goals he still looked young and was clearly making his way in the game. Others have been sometiment only to facility away for mad seemed different. Despite his youth, there was something about his manner that said he wouldn't ever settle for second best

Only words though. How often do you hear a sportsperson talk a good game? It is easy to do. Backing up what you've said is the difficult part. When it came to the action agents. Recen and united. Gerraid did it. That Sunday's 1-0 woody outlessy of Danny Murphy's first-half thee-leck was down to a superb team performance with Gerrard affire heart of it.

As The Guardian newspaper reported: "Liverpool won because they were exceptionally well served in midfield by Steven Gerrard, who throroughly usekaged Roy (keane in the matter of commanding the ball and consistently luming detence into attack."

Gernard hadn't been trightened Instead he oben inspired by the challenge of going up against such a towering figure. The toflowing weekend he would fake or the English game is other feating multielder. Patrick vieira. Again hie was up to the task, opening the scoring with a brilliant hall-volley that helped the side to a 4-b win over Assnall.

he may not have been made captain with 2005, but here was a real-leader for Liverpool fars, somebody who could stand up to the best and oversome them. His presence in the side and his winning attitude gave me hope that there were better times and trophes alwad, and so in proved.

Such an attitude helped him to become the player who more informed observers than me regard as Liverpool Football Club's best of all time

The magazine's editorial team pays tribute to Steven Gerrard, with writer John Hynes rewinding 15 years

Id-December 2000. A tripto Old Trafford looms on the horizan for Gerard Houtlier's team. The Rode, haven't won there in a decade and the hosts are undefeated at home in the league for two years.

Aby Keane is undoubtedly the Premer usague odominant player regularly indig midthed battlegrounds and clearly finghtering many opponents. Facing the intimidating man from Cork, head shaven and views throbbing with rage, is a ternlying prospect. Hence it's perhaps understandable when in the process of pronewing the game Steven Gerrard is asked if he holds any feats about going head-to-head with the unlined captain.

Watching on TV back in freland was keen to hear exactly how the 20 year old would respond to such a question. The look on his face provided the answer even before he delivered or response. A few seconds sites the young Soouser dismissed the use of being intrimidated by Keane or anyone else "might lose a fight with him but "wouldn't lose many tables. he steemed with connected conviction!"

Strong words, especially from someone who was just halfway through only his second full season in the senior side. For me if was the

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HOLD NOTHING BACK







SIMPLY The departing skipper was recognised with a number of awards OUTSTANDING

s well as advinceModging the efforts of players, stall and supporters across the club, the 2015 LFC Player to pay homage to skipper Steven Gerrard. After bidding farewell to Anfield the previous weekend—when he received a special golden-bood award from supporters on the Spion. Kop – Steven was presented with an Oussanding Advisevement Award at the Edho Arena event by former Academy youth coaches Dave

Shannon and Hughie McAuley for his incredible 17 years here.

Following the final whistle of his last appearance as a player at Anfield, he was presented with an award by former boss Gerard Houllier and old before the second with the legend: "Making the impossible, possible," The previous month Steven was recognised by the Professional recognised by the Professional Footballers Association for his "outstanding contribution to professional contribution to professional contribution to professional contribution to professional contains."





David Talented young players like Markovic and Moreno must step up for LFC next season



ast summer Liverpool invested in players with potential. Next season will be an important one for them as they aim to make an impact aller 12, months of setting in and becoming familiar with a new country and an unternitiar environment.

Lazar Markovio is one of the players in that bracket and if sink mart year might be a lime when we begin to see the best of him. He's been very good at times, such as the away match at Sunderland back in January [the Serbian wideman scored the winner], and you can see the potential there. Now is the time when he's going to have to step up to the plate.

I think it would be a good idea to got him on a strength programme over the summer to give him a bit more physically to cope with the demands of the Premier League. But he will lead to the state of the state he only turned 21 in March so he is state very young and will improve.

Alberto Moreno is in the same boat. To be honest the has been hot and cold in his first season, but at itimes he's looked like a really good player and scored that great goal at Tottenham early in the season. Again he's young [tuming 23 in July] and] has clerk of time to learn.

Looking to the pre-season, we will have Divock Origi coming over

Marković and Moreno, he's going to need a season to get settled in but has plently of potential and won't be 21 until ned April. It will be interesting to see how he lates, but it think we might need to look elsewhere for another striver too We struggled for goals after Daniel Sturridge picked up his latest sottoek in the FA Cup te at Elsekburn and, for me, Philippe Coufinho tooked our best bet for a goal during the back-end of the season.

following his loan spell in France, Like

The problem with modern lootball is that people want everything yesterday and that is especially true at a great club like ours. The supporters naturally want success now as we've had enough seasons of transition and weiting around to see how things pan out. However, that can add a little bit more pressure for the players, particularly those younger ones. Hopefully over the next outple of years they will be able to perform at the level we need on a consistent basis and go on and become a big part of a begint future for the club.

On a personal note I will be back in action in the chy again on Fricky 25 June when I will meet Germany's Erkan Teper for the European Newyweight life at the Echo Anna. My test fight in Liverpool didn't go as permed but that's ancient history now. I'm in a better place now than I was two years ago, and on 25 June people will see a much improved fighter. I've been worlding trelessly in the gym and I'm reliability the chance to got back under the bright lights in front of my honore fans.

David's fight is part of a huge hill that will also feature contests for Callum Smith, Rocky Fielding and Tony Bellew. For tickets visit www. ticketing.acciliverpool.com. Follow David on Twilliam @DavidPrice 1

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